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JAPANESE CLAIM TO BE SHELLING HSUECHOWFU

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese are keeping up a steady artillery bombardment of Hsuechowfu, in an effort to level the Chinese defences around the walls of the city, it is claimed in Japanese reports.

The bombardment has progressed without interruption since 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and many direct hits are reported on the western wall.

The shelling of Hsuechowfu began a few hours after the Japanese had occupied the Chinese fortifications on top of Pawan-shan Mountain, six miles south of the junction, according to Japanese claims.

CAPTURE OF FORT

The Japanese say that ascent of the mountain was made in the face of intensive Chinese fire. When the Japanese troops were near the summit, a bayonet charge was ordered.

After capture of the fort, Japanese artillery was immediately brought up, and intensive bombardment of the city started. — Reuter.

A.P.C. CRAFT IN BOMBING

Canton, May 18.

Shiuhing was heavily bombed by Japanese planes yesterday.

Altogether 21 bombs fell into the town, 11 on Namkai Road West where several houses were demolished. An A.P.C. oil tanker is reported damaged.

The wharf at Samshui was also bombed. Eleven men and women were blown to pieces. — Central News.

Japanese Swept Back In Counter Attacks

Shanghai, To-day.

The battle for the possession of the Lunghai Railway is being followed here with feverish interest. Judging by reports reaching Shanghai, the position of the Chinese defending forces remains uncertain, though they are staging a series of counter-attacks and relieving the Japanese pressure.

The Japanese claim at one stage to have got within nine miles of Hsuechow while the most vulnerable point of the Chinese defence positions southwest of Hsuechow was subjected to a surprise attack by a Japanese motorized division.

Furious fighting took place in this area, with the Chinese smashing the Japanese attempt at breaking through their lines, with the aid of big squadrons of aircraft.

FLOOD THREATENED

A report, originating with the Japanese army command, to the effect that the Chinese troops have resolved to blow up the Yellow River embankment northwest of Hsuechow has caused something of a panic as it is realised here that a measure of this sort would spell catastrophe for the civilian population and would also greatly influence the further development of military operations. — Trans-Ocean.

BEATEN OFF

It is now disclosed that isolated Japanese detachments actually reached the Lunghai Railway at several points including the stations of Huangkowchi and Neikwang, west of Tangshan, but after a short time they were forced to retire.

The same thing happened to a Japanese column that reached the railway line east of Tangshan. The Chinese are determined to defend with all their might the strategically important Lunghai Railway, at least the section west of Hsuechow.

In accordance with this plan the Chinese have concentrated strong reinforcements at Kwei-teh, Lanfeng and Kaifeng.

GOVERNOR TO VISIT CAMP AT CHEUNGCHAU

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Northcote are paying a visit to Cheungchau this afternoon, when they are to inspect the Haw Par Hospital of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the Sunnyside Army Holiday Camp.

The official party is timed to arrive at Cheung Chau at about 4 p.m., leaving just before dusk.

The Sunnyside camp opened on May 6 and there are now 41 men holidaying in this camp at Cheungchau. During the first week, there were 53, but the numbers have dropped because of the demands of training programmes.

MAMOI CLOSED

Hankow, To-day.

The Fukien authorities have closed Mamoi harbour, 25 miles from the mouth of the Min River, according to a message from Foochow. — Central News.

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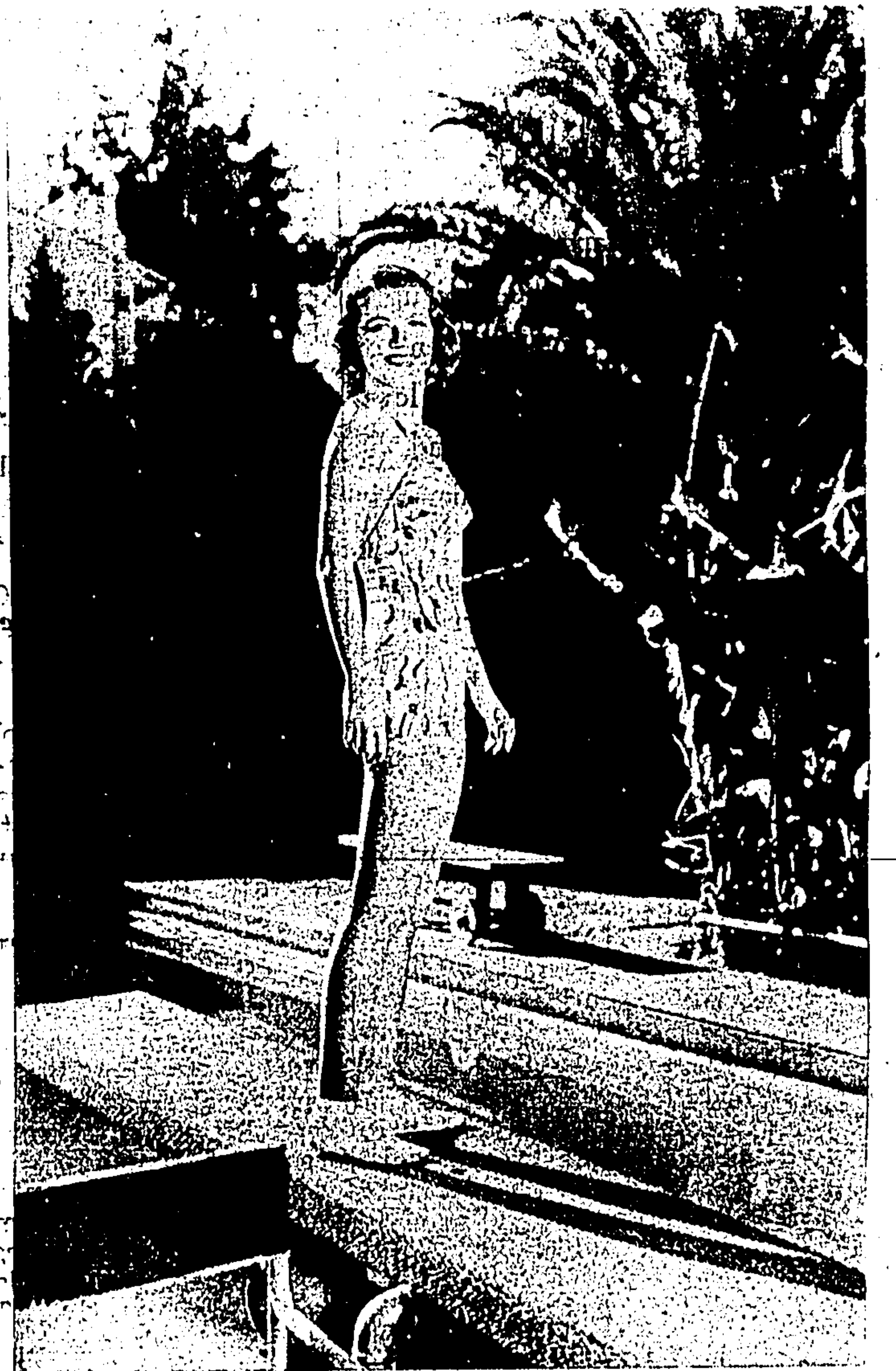
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TO SERVE WINE

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The right temperatures are;

Dry Sherry, or French or Italian Vermouth—slightly chilled.

Stand decanter for half-four in refrigerator. Madeira, Marsala, Port and Dessert Sherry — room temperature.

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close to freezing unit, or stand in a pail of ice-water for twenty minutes.

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EVERY WINE IN ITS GLASS

If you are a true wine lover you will be as particular about your glasses as about your wine. They should be thin and uncoloured, as plain as possible, and made with stems.

Many manufacturers make a mistake in manufacturing glasses too small for certain wines. Although custom insists that a glass should be filled to within half an inch of the rim, the connoisseur prefers his glass only three-quarters full, so that he can tip his glass and admire the wine. If glasses are small it is impossible to rotate the wine without spilling it.

Serve Hocks and Moselles in long-stemmed glasses. Serve Champagne in the latest elongated glasses, un-



When not busy before the camera, Cecilia Parker, dons her favourite sun ensemble. Her shorts are of royal blue linen and are topped with figured linen blouse. Her wide brimmed hat is also of the plain blue and figured linen combination.

YOUR ROOM'S SWEET RESTFULNESS

Which room of all those in your home is most definitely your own? Which one reflects most clearly your tastes and personality? In which do you seek sanctuary and peace? The answer to all these questions is, of course, your bedroom. And just because your bedroom is for you the most important room in the house you will want to hear about the latest ideas and devices for adding to its qualities of comfort and sweet restfulness.

In the following supplement of photographs you will find all kinds of stimulating ideas, and on this page I will try to give you still further information about decoration, furnishing and accessories to help you on your quest for the perfect bedroom.

First of all this question of colour. Restfulness is essential, and therefore soft and soothing pastel shades are always best for the bedroom. Where plain walls and carpet have been chosen to form a soothing background, there are the loveliest of cretonnes and chintzes to add a note of gaiety at the windows. Flower patterns are still first favourites for the feminine room, but the modern designs and folk weaves are quite equally pleasing.

Once the colour and fabrics have been selected, the bed itself is of the utmost importance. It is wise to buy the very best, and to spend time and thought on choosing your mattress and coverings. But the bedstead will be the cornerstone of your whole scheme, and so versatile have designers become that you can choose a bed to fit in exactly with your wildest dreams.

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less you have a preference for the tain: Burgundy glasses, Claret or old saucers-shaped glass, which, how White Wine glasses, Champagne ever, allows the wine to go flatglasses, Hock or Moselle glasses, quickly. Choose for Burgundy aPort glasses, Sherry glasses, glass larger and more balloon-shap-Liqueur glasses, half-pin tumblers, ed than that for Claret. finger-bowls, a Claret decanter, two A full glass-cupboard should con-quart decanters, and a water set.

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VISITING TURKEY

Istanbul, To-day.

The Yugo-Slav War Minister, General Martich, passed through Istanbul yesterday on way to Ankara where at the invitation of the Turkish Government he will spend ten days studying the organization of the Turkish fighting forces.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. G. F. Eucharer, a passenger from the President Jefferson, reported the loss of a \$50 U. S. Cur-

**FOUR YEARS FOR CONFLICTING
LOCAL COMPANY SPANISH
MANAGER**

SWINDLED OF ABOUT \$3,000 BY A FELLOW BUSINESSMAN, A HONG KONG BORN CHINESE, A YEAR OR TWO LATER, WHEN IN DIFFICULTIES, ADOPTED SIMILAR METHODS — ALTERING GODOWN WARRANTS AND OBTAINING MORE GOODS THAN AUTHORISED BY THE CHARTERED BANK.

The man was 38-year-old; U. Chan-jong, manager of Torbor and Company, who pleaded guilty before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, to three charges of forging documents, and three charges of obtaining goods by forged documents.

Commenting that accused had posed as a respectable businessman, while deliberately engaged in fraud, the Chief Justice, imposed sentence of four years' imprisonment, with hard labour.

The Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, instructed by Mr. C. D'Almada, represented accused and in his plea of mitigation stated that there was no hope of restitution of the sum of \$7,000, the amount involved.

BAD BUSINESS

Counsel revealed that accused was swindled by another man in 1932-33 by alterations to godown warrants, and when accused found himself in difficulty, he adopted a similar method. In 1933-34, accused managed to cover his debts through better business and made good in each for the goods he obtained by altering godown warrants. In 1935-36, exchange fluctuated rapidly and accused suffered a loss of about £4,000. He suffered further losses through delivery delays to the extent of £1,500.

After hostilities between China and Japan broke out, accused lost a further sum of about \$10,000. Dealers defaulted and absconded. Counsel pointed out that accused lived simply, supporting a wife and two children and a younger brother and sister in the country, and his monthly expenses amounted to between \$300 and \$400. Counsel pleaded for a light sentence.

The Chief Justice, however, remarked that he would be failing in his duty if he did not pass a severe sentence.

Accused was allowed to see his weeping wife before being taken away to prison.

**SWITZERLAND'S
NEUTRALITY**

Berlin, To-day.

At the meeting of the Federal Council yesterday, the President of the Confederation, M. Baumann, made a declaration expressing satisfaction that Switzerland had recovered her integral unconditional neutrality, and adding that the whole Swiss nation rejoiced that the League Council had unreservedly adopted the Swiss standpoint.

The President thanked the Councillor for Foreign Affairs, M. Motta, for services rendered by him in this connection. — Trans-Ocean.

rency bank-note, in a store in D'Aigular Street yesterday.

Bilbao, To-day.

Despite bad weather conditions prevailing yesterday, the insurgent troops claim to have improved their positions on the Teruel front, where the Republicans have thrown in large bodies of reinforcements, particularly on the sector between Alcala de La Selva and Mosqueruela, in a last desperate effort to stabilize the front.

In the Corbalan sector, General Garcia Valinos' troops established contact with those detachments which captured the town of Alcala de La Selva on Monday, and now are only 5 miles from Mora de Rubielos.

The Republican forces on this sector of the Teruel front are now composed of the 28th division entirely, the second mixed brigade, now transferred from the Madrid front, the 97th brigade and four machine gun battalions.

According to a later report the insurgent troops have gained another complete victory in the Corbalan sector, capturing the entire Republican defence system and inflicting enormous losses on the enemy.—Trans-Ocean.

GOVERNMENT CLAIM

Barcelona, To-day.

Insurgent detachments were encircled and are now in a critical situation, the Republican War Ministry stated yesterday.

The insurgent offensive in the Alepuz sector on the Levant front continues, supported by tanks and aeroplanes. The enemy rushed forward to the region south of Gudar where heavy fighting is still in progress. The Republican troops captured some prisoners and war material.

In the Cueva de Vinroma sector the Republicans carried out some successful attacks inflicting considerable losses on the enemy. — Trans-Ocean.

**FRENCH AVIATRIX
OVERDUE**

Paris, To-day.

The French airwoman, Dupeyron, who started from Oran on Sunday morning to fly to the Persian Gulf in an attempt to beat the women's long distance record, is reported to be overdue.

Leaving Oran, she had fuel on board for a flight of 25 hours so that her non-arrival means she has been forced down somewhere.

The French Air Minister, M. Guy La Chambre, has ordered a search to be made and has requested the cooperation of the Italian air stations in Tripolis.—Trans-Ocean.

COST OF LIVING

London, To-day.

At 30th April, the Ministry of Labour's cost of living index was approximately 56 per cent. above the level of July, 1914, compared with 54 per cent. a month earlier and 52 per cent. a year earlier.—British Wireless.

The s.s. "Soudan" left Shanghai yesterday and is due here tomorrow at about 6 p.m.

UNEMPLOYMENT PROBLEM IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

Votes for the Ministry of Labour and the Unemployment Assistance Board were discussed in Committee of Supply in the Commons yesterday afternoon.

The Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Labour in reviewing the various aspects of the Ministry's and the Board's work stated that 2,500,000 men and women were placed in employment through Labour Exchanges last year.

FRANCO-ITALIAN NEGOTIATIONS NEAR BREAKDOWN

Paris, To-day.

Following a Cabinet meeting yesterday, M. Blondel, the charge d'affaires in Rome, was instructed to inform the Italian Government of the surprise in French circles caused by Signor Mussolini's speech in Genoa.

However, the French Government is continuing negotiations in Rome for a Franco-Italian agreement, although it is doubtful whether fruitful results will be achieved.

It will be recalled that Il Duce foreshadowed this in his speech on Saturday, when he stated the two countries were on opposite sides of the barricade in Spain.—Reuter.

ANGLO-AMERICAN DISCUSSIONS

London, To-day.

An answer was given in the Commons regarding the American proposal for international action to deal with the problem of refugees driven from their homes for racial, religious or political reasons.

Mr. Butler said that more than thirty countries had now agreed to cooperate in the establishment of an inter-government committee, proposed by the United States Government which had suggested that the first meeting should be held at Evian on July 6th.

He thought the bearing of this committee's work upon the refugee activities of the League of Nations would no doubt be discussed at that meeting, and the President of the Board of Trade told the Commons he was not in a position to make any statement at present on the progress of the Anglo-American trade negotiations which were still proceeding.—British Wireless.

MIRROR ON THE CHINA WAR

An analysis of the battle of the Taierchwang, with its similarity in general strategy to Tannenberg, is one of the special features of the latest issue of the "Far Eastern Mirror," just published.

Some of the most interesting articles in the issue show the various phases of China's preparations for a long war of attrition against the Japanese, including the plans for the

Dealing with industrial transference, Mr. Lennox Boyd said that last year 17,500 men, 6,500 women and about 7,000 families were transferred—a high proportion from the specially depressed areas.

The Minister also referred to the extensions of the Unemployment Insurance Scheme which took place during the year. Some 100,000 private gardeners were added to the agricultural scheme. Since last year a further 50,000 chauffeurs and 170,000 institutional workers as well as 30,000 gamekeepers, stablemen and kindred employees have been brought within unemployment insurance. Whereas ten years ago the number of people enjoying the benefits of unemployment insurance were 12,500,000, the figure to-day was 15,000,000.

UNEMPLOYMENT

It was unhappily true that on April 4th, the number of registered unemployed was as high as 1,748,000. But of those about 358,000 were temporarily laid off and it was reasonable to assume a large proportion were expecting an early resumption of work. About 68,000 were casual workers, like dockers, who happened to be idle on the day of the count. Of the remaining 1,200,000 odd, nearly half had been out of work less than six weeks. There still remained a formidable hard-core of continuous unemployment, and it must be a matter for concern in a country where so many good craftsmen, who are anxious to resume work, found difficulty in getting jobs.

LABOUR CRITICS

Chief criticism from the Opposition speakers was directed to the recent order of the Unemployment Assistance Board to its local officials to discontinue the additional grants authorised last Autumn to meet winter conditions with a rising cost of living.

The Under-Secretary had previously drawn attention to the movements in the cost of living index which he claimed justified the Board's action, and added that the Board had under consideration a new regulation which would give them power to make appropriate increases during winter months in future. The debate is continuing.—British Wireless.

new Chinese armies in the making, conservation and development of good supplies, and the mobilisation of civilians for national service.

Remarkable extracts from the diary of a Japanese airman are to be found, confirming Chinese claims of heavy exactions of the Japanese Air Force, for their raiding ventures.

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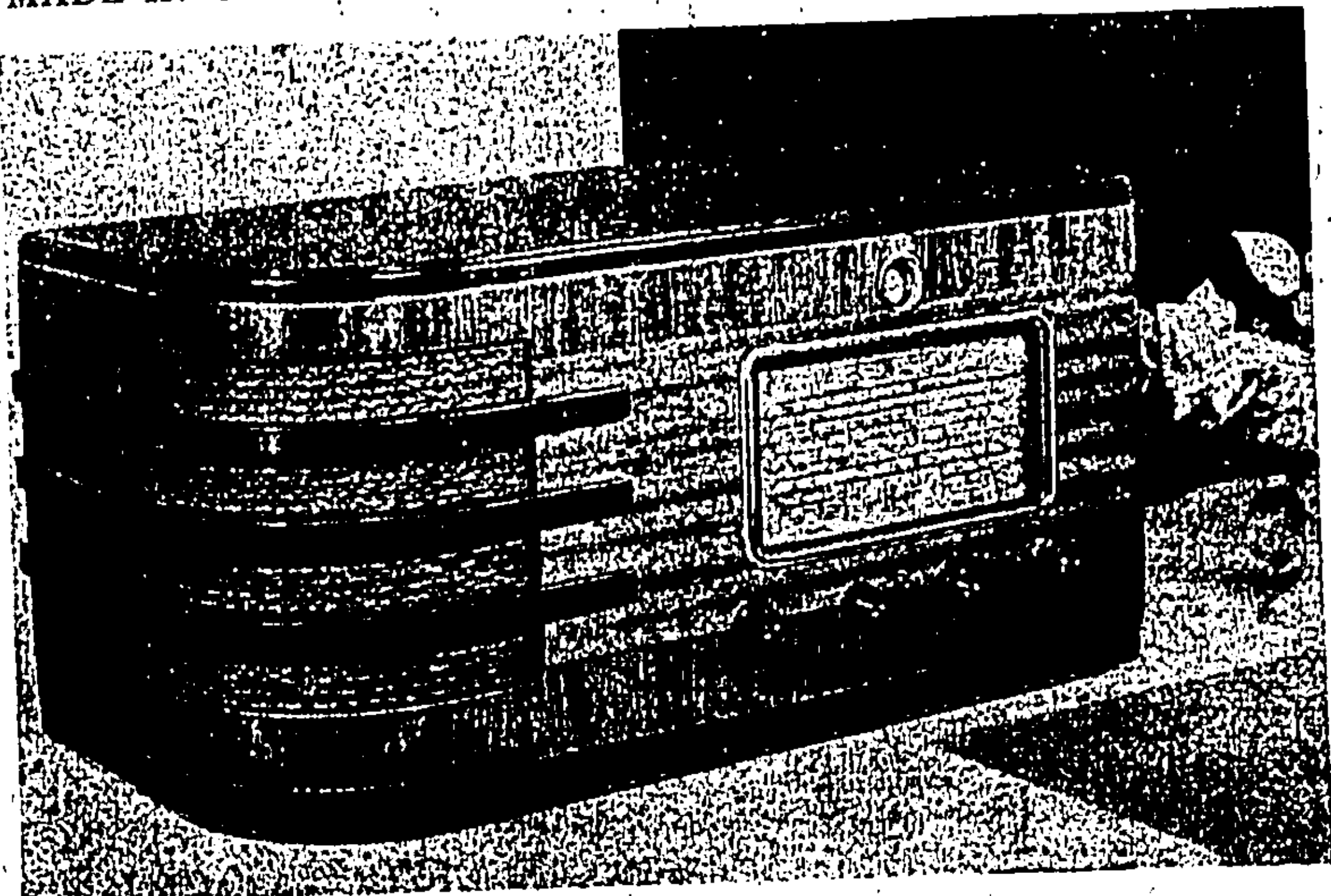
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DOG CASE FINES FAIR TO SHOWERY

Mr. R. J. Reed, of No. 8, Broadwood Road, was this morning fined \$10 on each of two summonses for allowing his dog abroad without a muzzle. Mr. F. J. Elms, of No. 19 Yik Yam Street, was fined \$6 for keeping a dog without a licence and \$10 for allowing it abroad without a muzzle.

Mrs. W. J. G. Harris knocked down Leung Tak-hong in Castle Peak Road yesterday. The man was admitted to the Kowloon Hospital suffering from injuries to the left arm.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the east of the Bonins, and is relatively low over China generally; gradients are everywhere slight.

Local forecasts: — S. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

DELAYED BLAST

Chan Yuk was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries to neck and arms. He was hit by fragments of rock in a delayed explosion while blasting rocks on a gun emplacement in Victoria Road yesterday.

ANXIETY FOR NEW ZEALAND WOMAN JOURNALIST IN HSUCHOW BATTLE AREA

Hankow, To-day.

Great anxiety prevails for the safety of Miss Iris Wilkinson, a New Zealand novelist and journalist, and the only foreign correspondent remaining in Hsuehchowfu.

Miss Wilkinson was last seen last week riding a donkey up a steep hill overlooking the battle front at Lienfanshan, east of Taierschwang and north of Pih sien.

Other foreign journalists had a narrow escape from death when the Garden Hotel, in which they were staying, was completely demolished during a Japanese air raid the day after they had left Hsuehchowfu.

TRAINS RUNNING

Meanwhile foreign journalists arriving in Hankow on Monday night from Hsuehchowfu, stated that trains were running between Hsuehchowfu and Chengchow five days ago, the journey taking four days.

Except for Chinese troops guarding bridges and stations, the journalists saw no troop movements on the railway in either direction.

It is learned from the railway authorities that trains were still reaching Hsuehchowfu yesterday morning, though intensive bombings by Japanese planes constantly held up traffic, while the railway track and bridges were being repaired.—Reuter.

BRITISH EVEREST EXPEDITION

Kalimpong (Bengal), To-day. The British Mount Everest Expedition has now established Camp Three in their ascent. Smythe and Shipton have reconnoitred the North Col and report that though the lower slopes are difficult, the route is possible. Cold and windy weather is hindering the Expedition but the party is fit except for some sore throats.—Reuter.

AIR DEFENCE DEBATE

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister's movements are still restricted by an attack of gout and, in consequence, the debate on the Opposition's motion on air defences which would have been the chief event of the week in Parliament has been postponed until next week. The character of the debate cannot fail to be affected by the Ministerial changes, involving resignation of Lord Swinton and the appointment of Sir Kingsley Wood to the Air Ministry.—British Wireless.

ROYAL ASSENT FOR ANGLO-EIRE AGREEMENT

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE EIRE AGREEMENT BILL PASSED ITS REMAINING STAGES IN THE HOUSE OF LORDS YESTERDAY AND RECEIVED THE ROYAL ASSENT IN THE EVENING.

As a consequence of enactment of the Anglo-Eire Pact in both countries, the trade agreement has been arranged to come into force on May 19, when special British duties on Eire goods will cease and Eire retaliatory duties will be abolished.

In addition, specific tariff adjustments will be brought into operation, and licenses will no longer be required to import Eire cattle into the United Kingdom.—Reuter.

AMERICAN NAVAL EXPANSION

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday signed the \$231,000,000 Naval Expansion Bill.—Reuter.

Wong Yung, residing at the Mei Chow Hotel, has reported to the police the loss of money and jewelry to the value of \$57 from his room.

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Extreme Alarm Declared To Be Unjustified

Hankow, To-day.

The Chinese, who hitherto have not admitted cutting of the Lunghai Railway by the Japanese, last night claimed that their troops were successful in several clashes.

It is officially stated that the forces defending Hsuehchow are still in control, and that there is no intention of withdrawing.

While deep anxiety prevails over the situation at Hsuehchow, the Chinese military authorities emphasise that extreme alarm is unjustified.—
Reuter.

TOKYO CLAIMS

Tokyo, To-day.

The Japanese claim that after several days of successful operations, their net of steel is tightening around Hsuehchow.

One column is said to have occupied Pawangshan, six miles south of the junction, and another column is reported to have taken Shihpali, five miles to the west of Hsuehchow.

The Japanese claim to have cut the Lunghai Railway at five points.—
Reuter.

CLAIMS PREMATURE

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reliably learned here that the Japanese troops are not so close to Hsuehchow as they have claimed during the past two days, and that they have definitely not reached Siaohsien, the small but important military point about 13 miles south-west of Hsuehchow.

The Chinese are still holding the Japanese at Yungchen and the fighting is reported to be developing favourably. The Japanese vanguard which struck out, after reaching Yungchen last week, towards Siaohsien, was ambushed by the Chinese near Siaohsien, and retreated in confusion.

MENGCHEN BATTLE

A violent battle is also reported to be raging around Mengchen, where the Chinese are still making efforts to re-take the town.

It is confirmed that the Japanese have crossed the Yellow River in the Peiping-Hankow Line area north of the Lung-Hai Line, but it is reliably learned that they have not yet reached the Lung-Hai Line. Traffic on Lung-Hai Line has, however, been suspended between Hsuehchowfu and Kaifeng, as Japanese planes in large numbers are consistently bombing the line.

Kaifeng and Kweiteh are still blazing as the result of recent air-raids.

Large re-inforcements have arrived in the region north-east of Kaifeng, between Kaifeng and Kweiteh.—Our Own Correspondent.

MINOR GAINS

The Chinese admit that the Japanese made some minor gains in west Shantung yesterday. The Japanese captured the towns of Yue-tai, Chinhsiang, Kueyeh and Ting-tao, and are thus now advancing on a semi-circular front.

Their chief objective appears to be the town of Tsachien, which is situated 40 kilometres north of Kweiteh in the extreme southwest corner of the Province of Shantung.

The Chinese are holding the line running parallel with the Lunghai Railway.

It is extremely difficult at present to obtain reliable information regarding the situation at Hsuehchow since the commercial telephone lines are interrupted.

The Chinese assert that the Japanese reports which claimed the captured of Pihsien and Taierchwang, are untrue and that these points are still held by the Chinese troops.—Trans-Ocean.

GUERRILLA ACTIVITY

Peiping, To-day.

Simultaneously with the concentrated Japanese attacks on the Lunghai Railway, Chinese irregulars are reported to be displaying great activity in Northern China.

The railway line from Suiyuan to Tatung, it is stated, has been cut in several places and attacks by guerillas on the Peiping-Hankow railway are also reported.—Trans-Ocean.

POLICE BESIEGED IN BOHEMIA TOWN

Prague, To-day.

Two thousand Sudeten Germans besieged the police headquarters of the town of Saaz in Western Bohemia yesterday.

A young Sudeten German who had unintentionally smashed a shopwindow of a German businessman a few days ago has been taken to the police station.

After his release it was alleged that he had been beaten by the police.

A crowd of 2,000 thereupon gathered and could be dispersed only by the intervention of Sudeten German Party functionaries. The Sudeten German Senator, Bock, lodged a protest with the Czechoslovakian Minister of Interior and leaders of the Sudeten German Party authorities.—Trans-Ocean.



Queen Mary paid a visit on May 6 to the Milday Mission Hospital, Shoreditch, London, and had a cheery word with many of the patients. Here is Queen Mary enjoying a joke with one of the patients. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

EGYPT INSISTS TARIFF IS NOT ANTI-LANCS.

Cairo, To-day.

In the course of its reply to the British Ambassador to the representations against the new tariffs on British cotton goods, the Egyptian Government is understood to reiterate that the increases are in no way directed against Lancashire.

The reply points out that the 40 per cent. surtax against Japanese goods has not led to any perceptible increase in Lancashire's exports to Egypt, but

CLIPPER MAIL

A change in air mail times for the Clipper for Manila and America was announced this morning. The Clipper was due to arrive at 11 a.m. and is leaving to-morrow morning at 8.30. The mail will close at 5 p.m. to-night for registered and 6 a.m. to-morrow for ordinary letters.

that Italy's trade has greatly increased in cheaper articles previously supplied by Japan.

The Government's present action is intended to correct that position and give the required protection to the local industry.

The reply adds, however, that Egypt is awaiting Lancashire's detailed case and a ready exchange of views towards a friendly understanding.—Reuter.

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for business men to be sent on journeys here and abroad. Expense money must be provided and it is often a problem as to how these funds can be carried safely and conveniently. It is a protection both for the organization and for the travelling representative to convert his expense money into

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Henry Harris Tells You Why--- You Can't Marry Your Soul-Mate!

DO you believe in soul-mates? Or do you consider that an old-fashioned superstition?

Because there are soul-mates. Unfortunately, it will be impossible for you to marry your soul-mate—if you have one.

First, because your soul-mate is of the same sex as yourself. Secondly, because he or she is your twin brother or sister.

If this sounds mysterious or exaggerated, let me explain.

About one birth in eighty-five produces twins. Therefore two people—of every eighty-six born—are twins.

So that you have a one-in-forty-three chance of being a twin. Now, that's elementary mathematics!

Twins are of two kinds—"like" and "unlike" twins. About one in four are "like" twins—and they are the closest approximation that exists in Nature to soul-mates.

Why? Let's discuss a little elementary "biology."

A human being is produced by the union of an ovum, or female-cell, with male sperm-cell.

"Unlike" twins are produced by the

union of two female-cells with two male-cells. They are commoner. And the twins are no more similar than brother and sister. They may be of different sexes.

"Like" twins are different. They come from single male and female cells. Nature makes an odd experiment here.

It is as if she takes a knife and cuts the fertilised egg in two. Each half develops into a separate—but practically identical—person.

They come from the same cell, and therefore have exactly the same heredity and are always of the same sex.

They are halves of a whole. One, without the other, is incomplete.

The psychology of "like" twins is fascinating.

A twin says: "Kissing my twin sister is not like kissing my other sisters, but like kissing myself—my own hand, for example."

Barbara and Erica—twelve-year-old twins—will tell you: "We love each other more than anyone else in the world."

"Like" twins would rather play by themselves than with chums. Boys

Ever longed to meet your soul-mate? Ever yearned to make love to someone who is clearly a twin-soul of yours?

Well, give up yearning and longing right now.

Because you can't marry your soul-mate. It isn't allowed. And in this article Henry Harris psychologist tells you exactly why.

will not take part in contests, in case one should beat the other. They will talk of "ours"—not of mine.

Two twin schoolboys were in a class which was asked to write a story. They had no chance of comparing.

One began: "Last night I went over to the shop for a lady and brought the dog." The other story began: "A lady asked me to go to the shop for her, and we took the dog."

Of course, you can diagnose "like" twins, because they look so alike. Even

their finger, palm and sole-prints are similar—though not exactly the same.

Often they will have the same diseases at the same time. The same teeth extracted and filled.

A case is quoted of a man who consulted a specialist for a severe eye inflammation and said: "I expect my twin brother in Vienna is having exactly the same trouble."

A few days later he showed the astounded specialist a letter which confirmed this.

Another pair of twins became insane at twenty-one and were separated. At forty-three they showed exactly the same delusions and hallucinations.

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And yet they are never exactly the same. Though psychological tests reveal their intelligences to be practically the same—often one is a little healthier or more energetic.

Incidentally, I wonder whether dogs can scent a difference. Can any twin readers tell me?

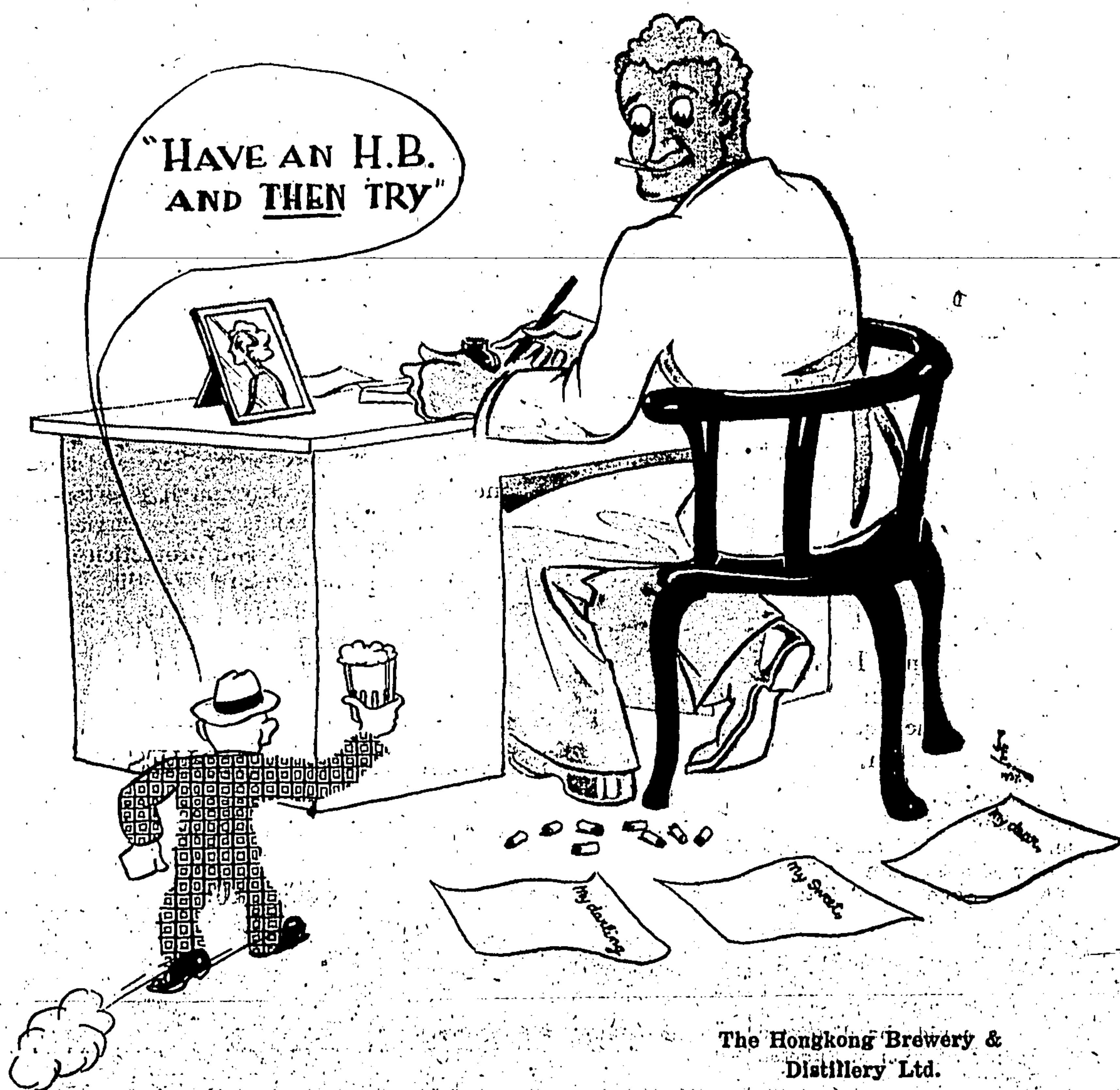
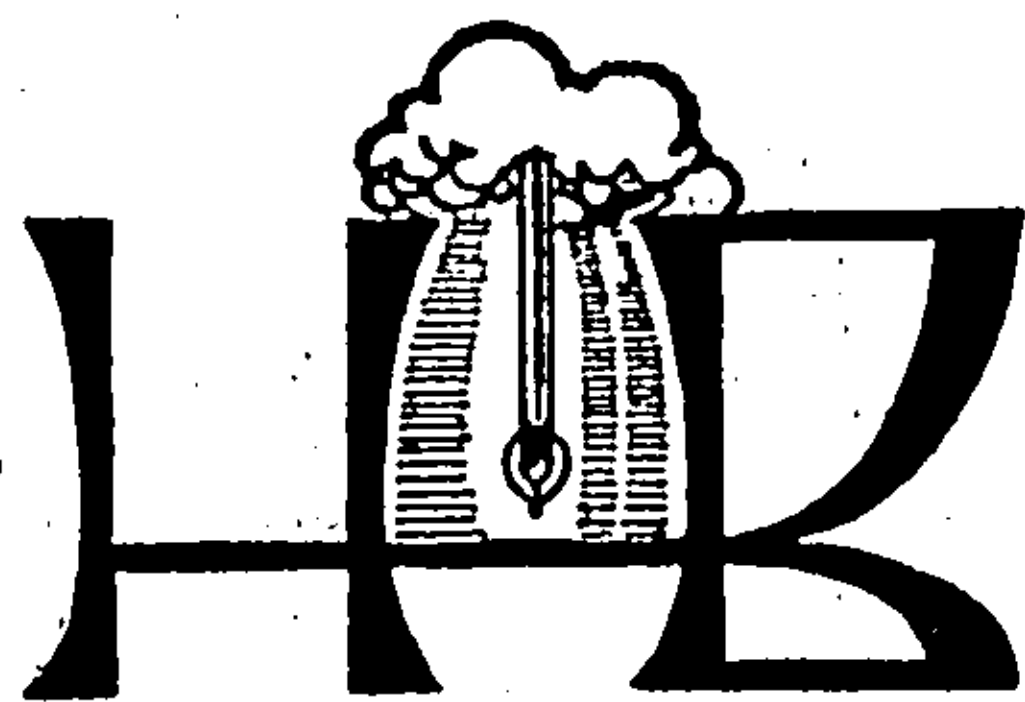
The vital importance of studying twins scientifically is that it helps us to understand more about how much a man's health and character is due to heredity, and how much to environment and surroundings.

There are some who believe that Heredity is the only thing that matters. Others that Environment is everything.

Elaborate political theories and schemes have been built up on both of these beliefs. Theories that at this moment are splitting mankind into opposing armies.

But they are both wrong. Not Heredity alone. Not Environment alone. But both of them together play a part in the fate of Man.

The scientific study of twins is slowly helping us to realise how much is Heredity and how much is Environment.



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INVESTIGATION OF U.S. MOTOR INDUSTRY

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.
A SPOKESMAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DECLARED YESTERDAY THAT ANOTHER GRAND JURY INVESTIGATION OF THE AFFAIRS OF THREE OF THE LARGEST AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURES AND ASSOCIATED FINANCE COMPANIES, MIGHT BE PROPOSED IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE.

He added that the action might be taken as the companies had failed to revise certain trade practices to the satisfaction of the Attorney-General.

It is recalled that a previous attempt to obtain indictments against General Motors, Ford and Chrysler ended in stalemate.

The companies have since made numerous proposals for settlement by consent but none satisfied the Department of Justice.—Reuter.

CHILDREN
HAVE YOU ENTERED
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CONTEST

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GRADUAL EXPANSION OF CANADIAN AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY

Ottawa, To-day.

Gradual expansion of the Canadian aircraft industry is expected here as result of the negotiations between the British air mission and the various companies concerned.

Improved Conditions In France

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE FUNDAMENTAL CHANGE IN ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN FRANCE IS REFLECTED IN THE RAPIDITY WITH WHICH THE LATEST NATIONAL DEFENCE LOAN WAS OVERSUBSCRIBED. THE WIDESPREAD PROPAGANDA THAT WAS TO HAVE BEEN PUT INTO OPERATION, PROVED ENTIRELY UNNECESSARY.

In the French official "Gazette" to-day a notice will appear declaring the subscription list closed. The amount of issue was limited to 5 milliards of francs. The total applications will exceed the issue by several milliards, proving that there are immense reserves of capital in France seeking investment.

NO FRESH LOANS

Both state and public institutions are in need of long term loans but it has been decided that, for the time being, no new loans will be issued in order that the repatriated capital will find its way by means of industrial loans and credits and share issue participations into economic channels.

The experience hitherto, however, has shown that in this regard the investors favour short term commitments. The striking fact after the successful issue of the Defence Loan was that both the share and fixed interest securities markets were pronouncedly weak.—Trans-Ocean.



A Mother's Message

Mothers in many parts of the world rely solely on Baby's Own Tablets to keep their little ones happy and well. Here is what Mrs. J. Smythe, of 81 Leak Avenue, Long Branch, Ontario, a Canadian mother, writes:—"My message to mothers the world over is never be without Baby's Own Tablets in the home; they stand for safety, economy and most of all, life's richest blessing, good health."

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The Defence Ministry has laid before the mission the results of a survey showing that at least eleven companies are ready to turn out service machines suitable for the Royal Air Force.

The survey comes to the conclusion that most of the companies are well able to handle substantial orders from Britain.

At present at least 200 planes of eight different types are being constructed in Canada for the British and Canadian Government and exports elsewhere.—Reuter.

ROYAL TOUR OF LANCASHIRE

London, To-day.

Great crowds cheered the King and Queen at various places in Lancashire at which they halted yesterday on the first of a four days' tour of the county.

Their Majesties were accompanied by the Lord Lieutenant, Lord Derby, and Sir Samuel Hoare, Home Secretary, who was the Minister in attendance.

The party was entertained at lunch by Lord Stanley, the Dominions Secretary—the second of Lord Derby's sons to attain Cabinet rank—who will replace Sir Samuel Hoare as Minister-in-attendance for the rest of the tour.

The Home Secretary is returning to London to attend a Cabinet meeting to-day.

Their Majesties will continue their tour to-day when the King will open the new extension to the Manchester Town Hall.—British Wireless.

AIR DEFENCE DEBATE POSTPONED

London, To-day.

The debate on Thursday on the Labour opposition motion in regard to air defences, in which the Prime Minister had intended to participate, has been postponed owing to Mr. Chamberlain's illness.

Mr. Chamberlain is suffering from a mild attack of gout.—Reuter.

Big Public Works Plan In Belgium

Brussels, To-day.

M. Paul Spaak, the new Belgian Prime Minister, read the Government declaration of policy to the Chamber and Senate yesterday. He began by making a profession of faith in Democracy.

He proceeded to announce the revision of the Belgian constitution, promised to do his utmost to meet the cultural wishes of the Flemish and Wallon peoples and to restore the equilibrium of the National Budget by adoption of five measures, namely:

- (1) Introduction of the National emergency tax and increase of the import duties,
- (2) Inauguration of National campaign to combat fraudulent financial deals,
- (3) Economy drive,
- (4) Creation of a system of State supervision of finance,
- (5) Adoption of 1939 budget before the end of this year.

PUBLIC WORKS PLAN

As regards the economic policy of the new Government, it would be carried out under the watchword: "Work is the only solution." He announced a big programme for construction of roads, schools, hospitals and for the revival of the shipbuilding trade. The necessary means will be obtained through loans. The new Government will also devote its attention to the needs of National Defence and to the promotion of the Belgian foreign trade.—Trans-Ocean.

UNDERGROUND SMASH WORST IN HISTORY

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE REMARKABLE FREEDOM OVER MANY YEARS OF THE LONDON UNDERGROUND RAILWAYS FROM SERIOUS ACCIDENT WAS BROKEN YESTERDAY WHEN ON THE DISTRICT RAILWAY BETWEEN CHARING CROSS AND TEMPLE UNDERGROUND STATIONS, AN INNER CIRCLE TRAIN RAN INTO THE BACK OF A DISTRICT TRAIN BOUND FOR BARKING.

Six people were killed or subsequently died from injuries and some forty others suffered injuries of varying severity.

Rescue work by doctors and nurses summoned from nearby hospitals had to be carried out in darkness.

Not until two and a half hours after the collision had all the injured been released from the wreckage.

A statement was made in the Commons by the Minister of Transport, who accompanied by officials of the London Passenger Transport Board and officers of his own Ministry, had visited the scene of the accident within an hour of the collision.

CAUSE UNKNOWN

He said he had appointed one of his Inspecting Officers of Railways to hold an immediate enquiry into the cause of the accident which is, at present, unknown.

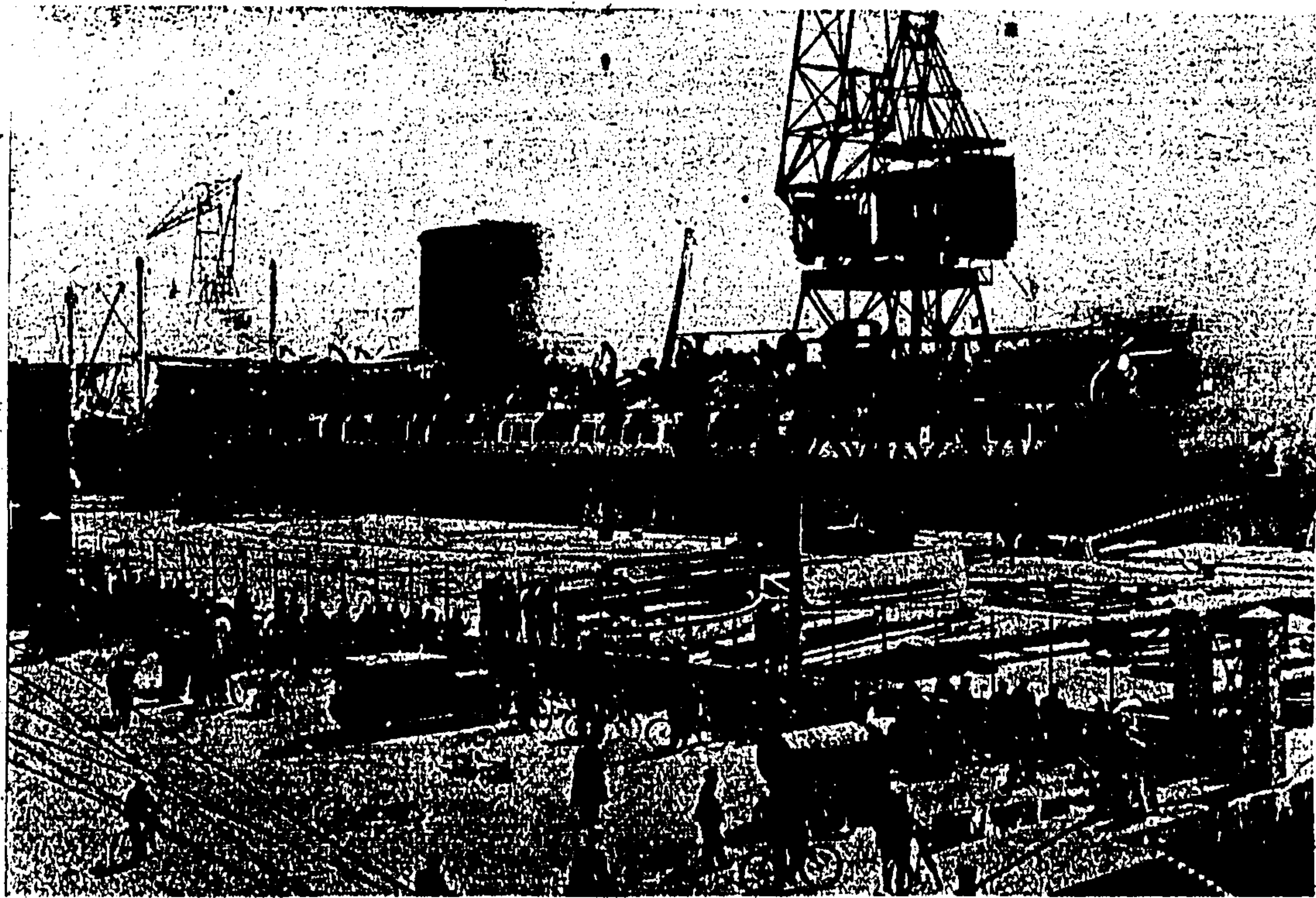
The number of dead and injured make this the worst accident in the history of the Underground Railways.

Through traffic will probably be interrupted until some time to-day owing to the difficulties of the removal of the wreckage from the tunnel.—British Wireless

MEXICAN ENVOY LEAVES

London, To-day.

The Mexican Minister left London yesterday afternoon, following the decision of his Government to close its Legation in London.—British Wireless.



The French luxury liner "Lafayette" after blazing furiously for many hours in dry dock at Le Havre is now just a mass of twisted red-hot girders. The fire was started when a burner was being lit in the engine room, the flames spread to the oil tanks, and soon the ship was blazing from end to end. The bulk of the insurance is held by Lloyd's amounting to something like £750,000. (Copyright: By Air Mail).

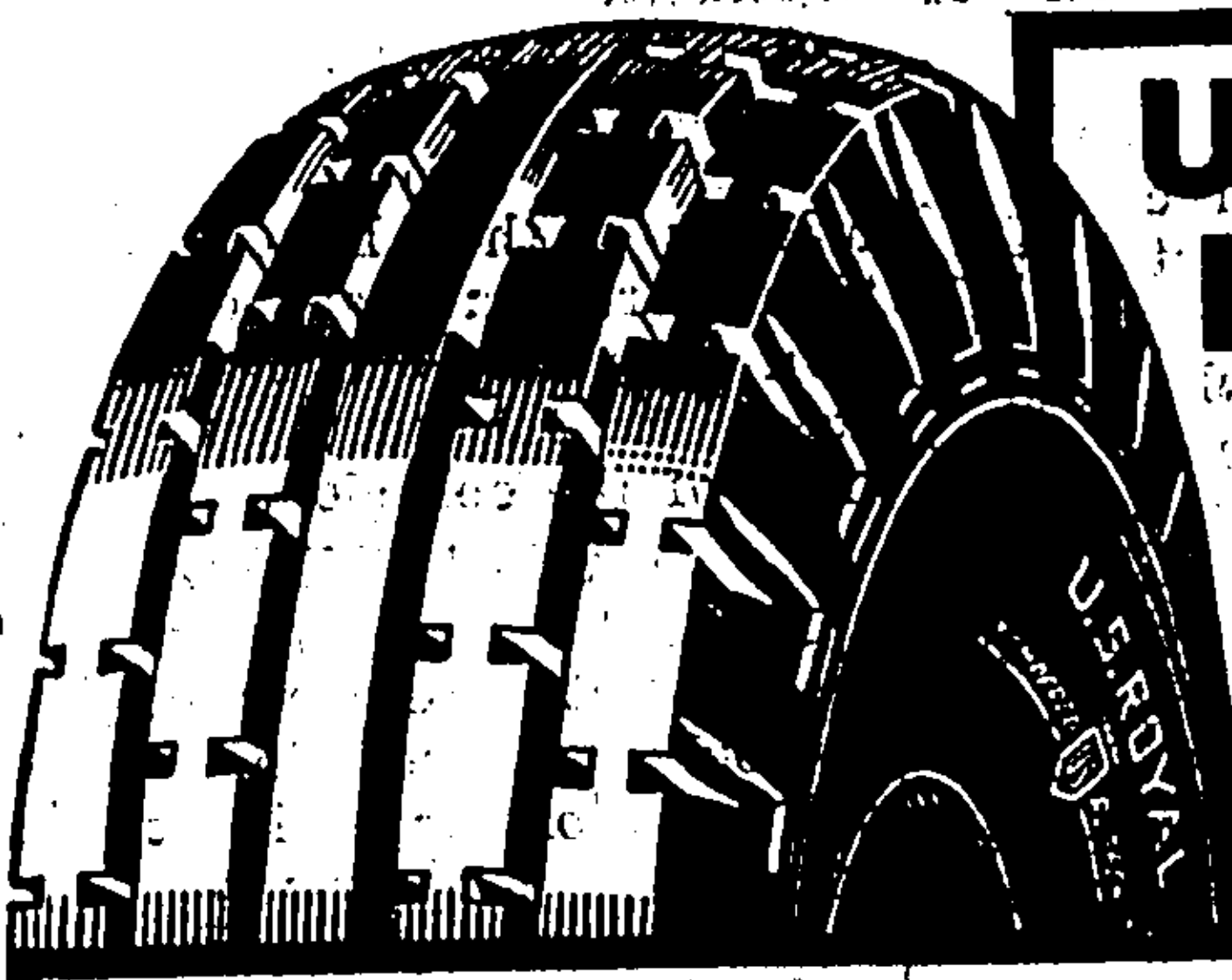
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CHAMPAGNE ATMOSPHERE

This time in the year 1848 saw a crowd of twenty thousand shivering in a cold rain while their leader pleaded with London's Commissioner of Police for permission to cross Kennington Bridge. The Commissioner stood pat, and much to the surprise of the Duke of Wellington and greatly to the relief of his soaked Guardsmen, O'Connor returning to the crowd, meekly advised them to disperse. Thus ended the great Chartist demonstration from which that amateur of great events, Carlyle, had freely predicted a second Commune.

That it fizzled out like a damp squib—was neither due to the miserable weather, nor to the line of stalwart red coats, though it is admittedly difficult to keep passions beneath a London drizzle in the face of cocked pieces, at boiling point.

The explanation was psychological rather than climatic and physical. Politically strangled by the Gentry and callously exploited by the Genteel, the Chartists succumbed at the barricades to the all pervading optimism of the new industrial era. It was a period of enterprise, expanding business, and orders round the corner. Times were far too brisk for the gloom of universal discontent to prevail over the happy optimism of Boom.

In shadow and substance curiously akin to the Hong Kong of 1938.

Times are brisk in the Colony and discontent universal. The exciting proximity of a major war brought the promise of a trade expansion that is quickly becoming a substantial reality. Shorn of the Levantine and Central European adventurers whose discreet bargainings and glamorous demi-mondaines lend an air of plutocratic vivacity to the hotel foyers, the inner core is solid gain. Iron, steel and

manufactured goods of all kinds are pouring into the godowns; shipping companies are cashing in on freights boosted sky high by war risks and war urgency; thousands of tons of diverted traffic enrich the harbour; military roads open up the hinterland; half a million refugees send property values rocketing, and scores of big and little concerns that struggled for existence a few months back, are paying dividends and dreaming of expansion.

In short everybody is making money or about to. That is everybody but the wage earner. Perversely he finds himself out of the golden race. Unaccountably prices continue to soar while wages remain stationary. Dazzled by the surrounding glitter, he is slow to realise that when food costs soar, rents keep pace, and a tentative request for a salary raise is offset by a casual mention of that smart young man from Shanghai, "who is willing to work for half what we're paying you," prosperity is privation. When debt and eviction make matters painfully clear the wage earner's resentment collapses against the wall of optimism that surrounds the Colony's complacent administration. Like the Chartists, politically castrated, the champagne atmosphere is altogether too much for him.

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Romany—Streamlined

If one may judge from the National Camping and Open Air Exhibition, which was held recently in London, the manufacture of caravans—or trailers, as they are called in the United States—is becoming an important industry in Britain. The business this year is breaking all records; and, according to the Camping Club, which promoted this Exhibition, the summer should see more than 15,000 caravans in use, accommodating more than 50,000 people.

The gypsy, "wandering on a foreign strand," has not always been regarded as a paying guest, but in this case he has left a legacy in return for hospitality, which has done something to wipe out the debt. He, himself, may regard the modern luxury-flat on wheels, when

In gallant trim the gilded vessel goes;

Youth on the prow, and

Pleasure at the helm,

as not entirely in the true tradition, and there are out-and-out simple lifers who would go even further, and protest that to have a genuine roof over one's head is not playing the game—but these are extreme views.

To many who are reluctant to discard the comforts, the caravan is a useful compromise: it can provide electric light and heat and water (h. and c.), and still remain a lodge in the wilderness.

Some, it may be, can get in touch

With Nature there, or Earth, or such.

And some, who wish not so much to get back to Nature as off the map, can wander with the freedom of the raggle-taggle gypsies, yet in the comfortable assurance that they are exemplifying the highest type ever reached of nomadic civilisation.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON LUNGHAI RAILWAY

Situation Greatly Relieved By Chinese Successes

MORE R.A.F. SQUADRONS FOR FAR EAST

London, To-day.

Arrangements are being made for despatch of Royal Air Force squadrons to Ceylon, Penang and other centres in the Far East.

This step is in accordance with the authorisation in the 1936 programme to provide an additional twelve squadrons for overseas stations.

Squadrons have already been sent to Singapore, Egypt and Kenya, and three others recently sent to Egypt will be located at Ismailia, Telwan and Heliopolis.—Reuter.

It is stated that it is most unlikely that squadrons are being sent to Hong Kong. There is no accommodation at Kai Tak and none ready at Pat Heung.

PRECAUTIONS AT FOOCHOW

Foochow, To-day.

The Chinese military authorities are taking strict precautions at all points near the mouth of the Min River, including Changmen, Meihua and Wutsu.

All shipping is suspended between 7 o'clock in the evening till 5 o'clock the next morning.

Important cities in Fukien were again bombarded by Japanese planes yesterday. At Kutien, northwest of Fukien, more than 10 civilians were wounded and 20 houses collapsed during a raid by six machines.

Later, the raiders flew to Kienow, further northwest, and released over 30 bombs.

Haiteng, west of Amoy, and Changpu, south of Changchow, were also visited.

Only one Japanese warship is now anchored outside the mouth of the Min River.—Central News.

REQUIEM MASS FOR WAR VICTIMS

To-morrow morning at 7.30 a.m. Bishop Valtorta will celebrate solemn Requiem Mass in the Catholic Cathedral, for all who have died in the present war in China. The Mass will be attended by representatives of the various Catholic bodies in the Colony.

The Mass is intended to commemorate all, both soldiers and civilians, who lost their lives in the war, and it will be accompanied by prayers for a speedy cessation of hostilities and a return of peace to the country.

Among those who are remembered, special mention is made of Mr. Joseph Lo Pa Hong, the noted Catholic philanthropist of Shanghai, who was President of Catholic Action in China and President of the Chinese Catholic War Relief Association. His assassination, in a mistaken belief that his charitable works were a help to the

Jap. Remnants Retiring On Yungchen

Hankow, To-day.

Heavy fighting is progressing at two points on the Lung hai Railway west of Hsuehowfu, according to latest military despatches.

A Japanese detachment appeared on Monday afternoon at Huangkowtsi, east of Tangshan, which Chinese forces advancing westward from Hsuehowfu and a Chinese column coming east from Tangshan subjected to severe attack.

The commander of the Japanese detachment was killed, the Chinese communique claims, while the remnants of the detachment retired in a south-west direction on Yungchen.

Between 200 and 300 Japanese troops appeared at Laihuan, east of Lanfeng, and were repulsed.

Early yesterday morning Chinese forces engaged Japanese troops at Hantaokou and Huilungtsi, villages south of Tangshan, and are reported to have captured the commander of one of the Japanese battalions.

NO GENERAL RETREAT LIKELY

Meanwhile, observers believe that even if the Japanese have succeeded in cutting the Lung hai Railway east of Hsuehowfu, no general Chinese withdrawal from the area will take place.

It is stated that sufficient Chinese forces remain there to hold off the Japanese advance in order to enable the main body of the Chinese troops to concentrate in a new position and take up a renewed defence line.—Reuter.

Hsuehow, To-day.

Imminent danger to the Lung hai Railway was averted when the Chinese troops repulsed concerted attacks from both the south and north yesterday.

The Japanese spearhead at Hantaokou and Huilungtsi, 30 kilometres north of Yungchen in west Honan, 40 kilometres south of the Lung hai Railway, which a Japanese spokesman described as "powerful" suffered a crushing defeat as a result of a Chinese counter-offensive early in the morning. Japanese cavalry units which appeared at Neihuang, 15 kilometres east of Lanfeng on the Lung hai Railway, and at Lichwang east of Tangshan on the same line, were also beaten off.

Three Chinese columns are now converging on Mengcheng.

In west Shantung, the Japanese, after capturing Hotseh and Kinsiang, have made no progress. Strong Chinese forces are tenaciously holding out against them in the outskirts of both cities.—Central News.

CLAIM BELITTLED

Hankow, To-day.

The Japanese claim that they are staging a gigantic encircling movement on Hsuehow was belittled by a Chinese military spokesman in an interview with Central News.

The spokesman estimated

enemy, was condemned by all classes and his loss was universally mourned.

WHICH MAKES IT UNANIMOUS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE "FINANCIAL NEWS" GIVES PROMINENCE TO AN ARTICLE BY ITS SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT IN THE FAR EAST ON THE QUESTION OF STAYING POWER IN THE FAR EASTERN WAR.

Dealing with Japan's economic strength, the correspondent concludes that the period in which it will be possible for Japan to put up an effective fight in the economic field, is probably less indefinite than the period in which China may possibly be able to carry on her much more primitive, yet so damaging, warfare of attrition.

The time element is clearly against Japan and rather for China, and the fact that this is suddenly much more clearly recognised in Japan, indicates the first initial success of the Chinese tactics.—Reuter.

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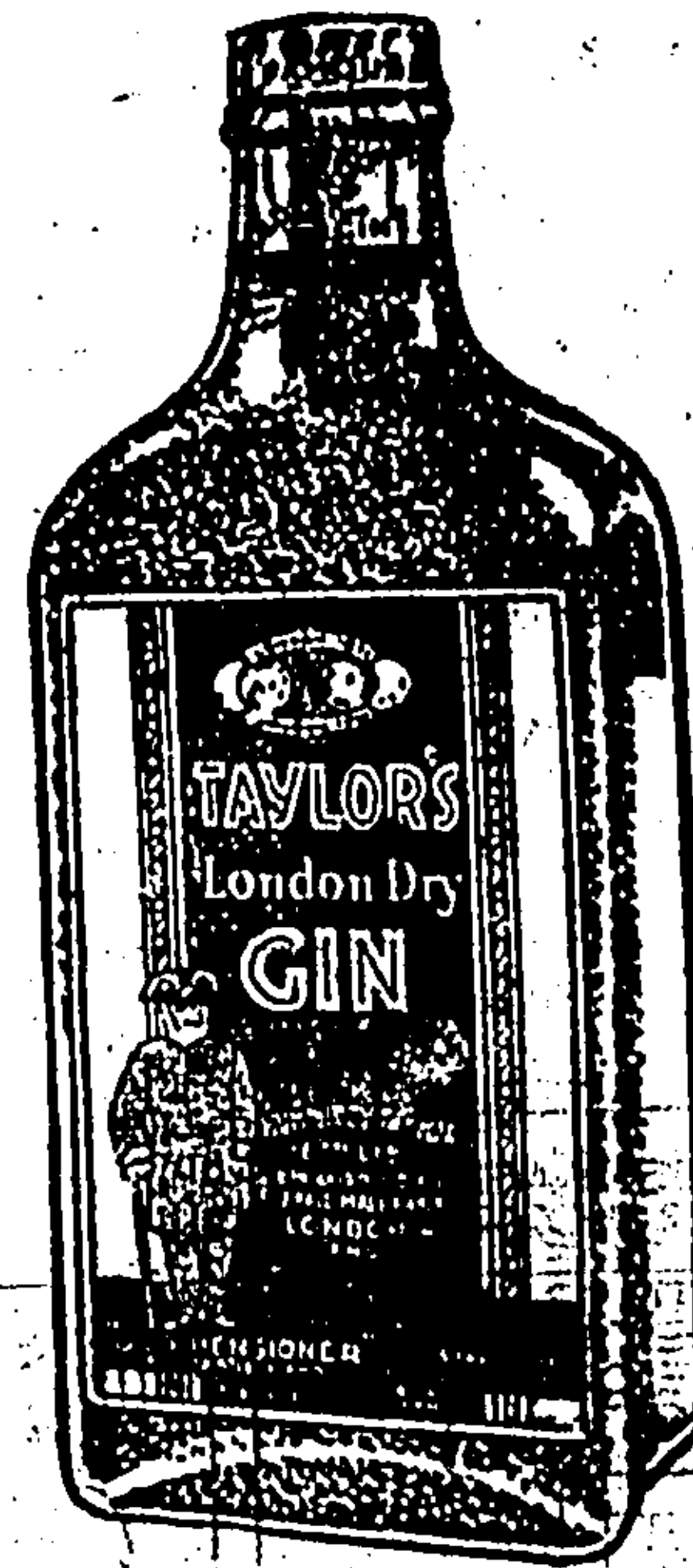
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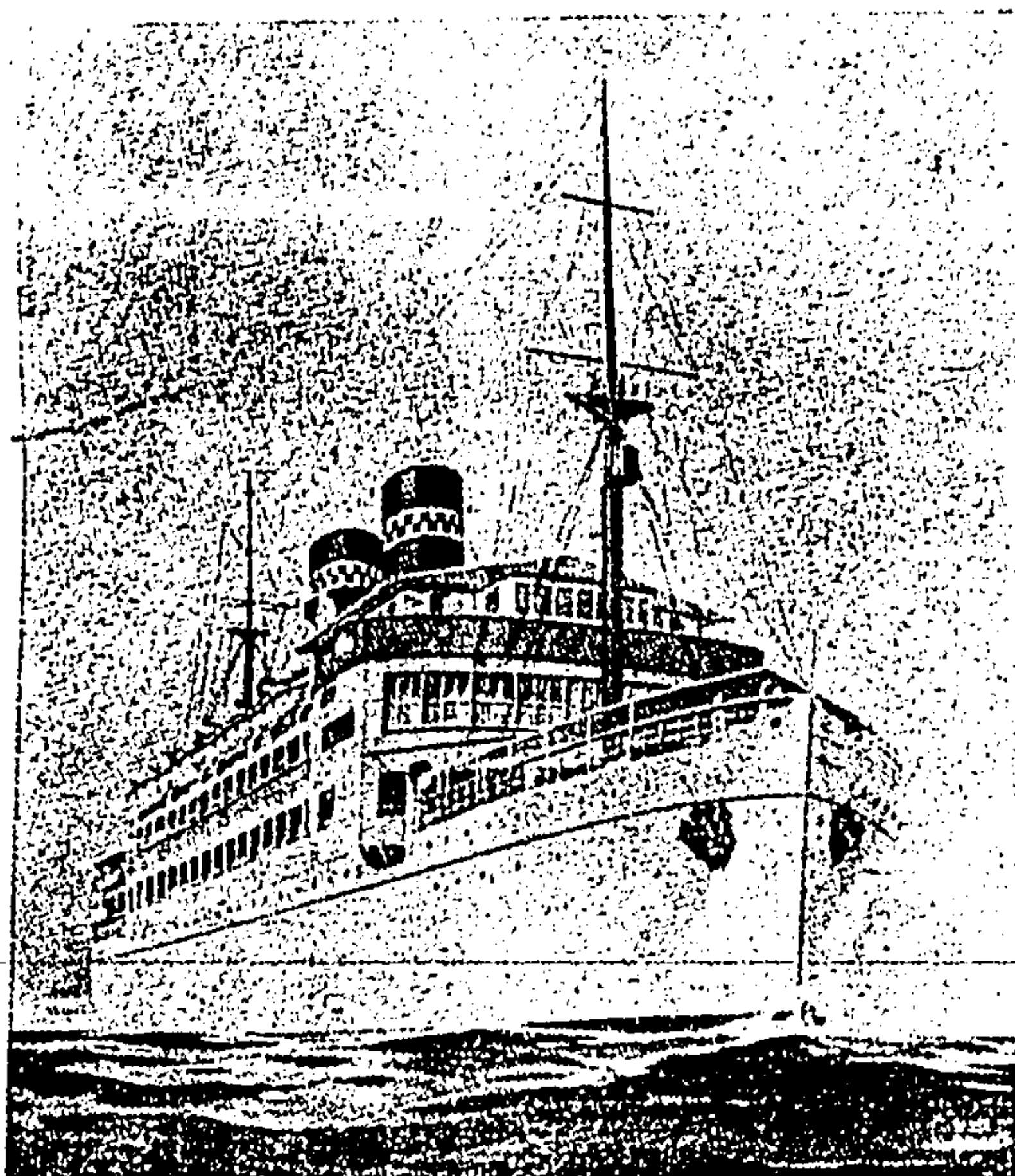
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Persuaded By Premier To Stay For Time Being

London, To-day.

The newspapers comment at length on the Cabinet changes and the tone shows that the changes are regarded as completely satisfactory.

It had been expected in some quarters that the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, would likewise be replaced by a Minister who is a member of the House of Commons.

That this had not been done, is said to be due to the wish of Mr. Chamberlain who persuaded Lord Halifax to continue in office for the next few months, at least until after the Royal visit to Paris has taken place.

Lord Swinton's resignation from the Air Ministry is generally welcome.

It is expected that the new Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, whose excellent record as Postmaster General and Minister of Health is recalled, will tackle his new task with great energy.

The "Daily Telegraph" expresses the opinion that the Cabinet has been greatly strengthened by the changes that have been made. The paper is especially gratified by the fact that Lord Halifax will remain in charge of Foreign Affairs for the time being.

MINISTRY OF SUPPLIES

Commenting on the Government's rearmament programme, the paper declares that the best way to win public support for the Government's rearmament plans, would be to create a Ministry of Supplies.

The "Daily Mail" eulogizes the energy and initiative displayed by the Prime Minister in reorganisation of the Cabinet. The paper believes that rearmament will be greatly expedited and intensified in the future.

GERMANY'S LEAD

The "News Chronicle" welcomes the fact that Mr. Chamberlain did not try to persuade the Air Minister, Lord Swinton, who had been violently criticised by the Opposition, to remain in office.

"The Times" likewise comments at length on the change in direction of the Air Ministry. The paper expresses the hope that Sir Kingsley Wood may have similar success in augmenting the number of battleplanes as he had as Postmaster General, when the number of telephone subscribers substantially increased in a short time.

RIGHT MEN

Commenting on the other changes,

the "Times" declares that the Prime Minister's endeavours to find the right man for each post, have been completely successful.

The paper especially refers to the remarkable skill displayed by Mr. MacDonald during the negotiations with Eire and expresses the conviction that in him the best man has been found for the Colonial Office which will require the direction of a patient hand for the settlement of such difficult problems as the Palestine question.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN COMMENT

Berlin, To-day.

The reshuffle of the British Cabinet has attracted much attention here.

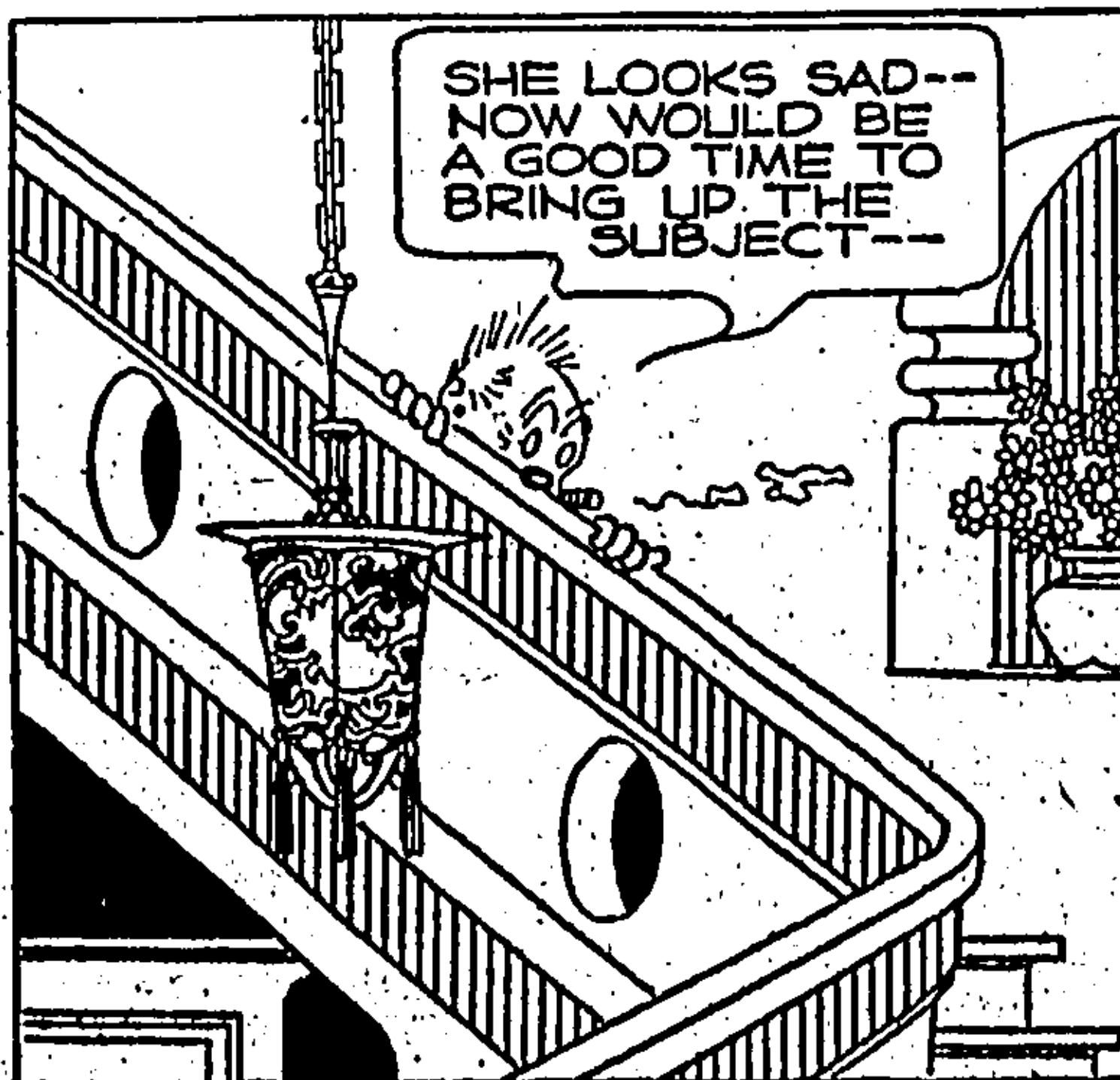
The "Berliner Tageblatt" pays tribute to the fact that Mr. Chamberlain accepted Lord Swinton's resignation which, says the paper, was in fact motivated by serious reasons, chief among them being the necessity in which England found herself placed to call the American and Canadian air industries to her assistance in order to strengthen her air force.

The paper adds that it will be a difficult task for Sir Kingsley Wood to conciliate the British air industry, which considered itself neglected under Lord Swinton's regime.

MALCOLM MACDONALD

Regarding Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's appointment as Colonial Secretary, the "Berliner Tageblatt" observes that the situation in the various Crown Colonies calls for energetic measures and that consequently the moment is particularly well chosen for placing one of the most capable of British statesmen at the head of the Colonial Office.—Trans-Ocean.

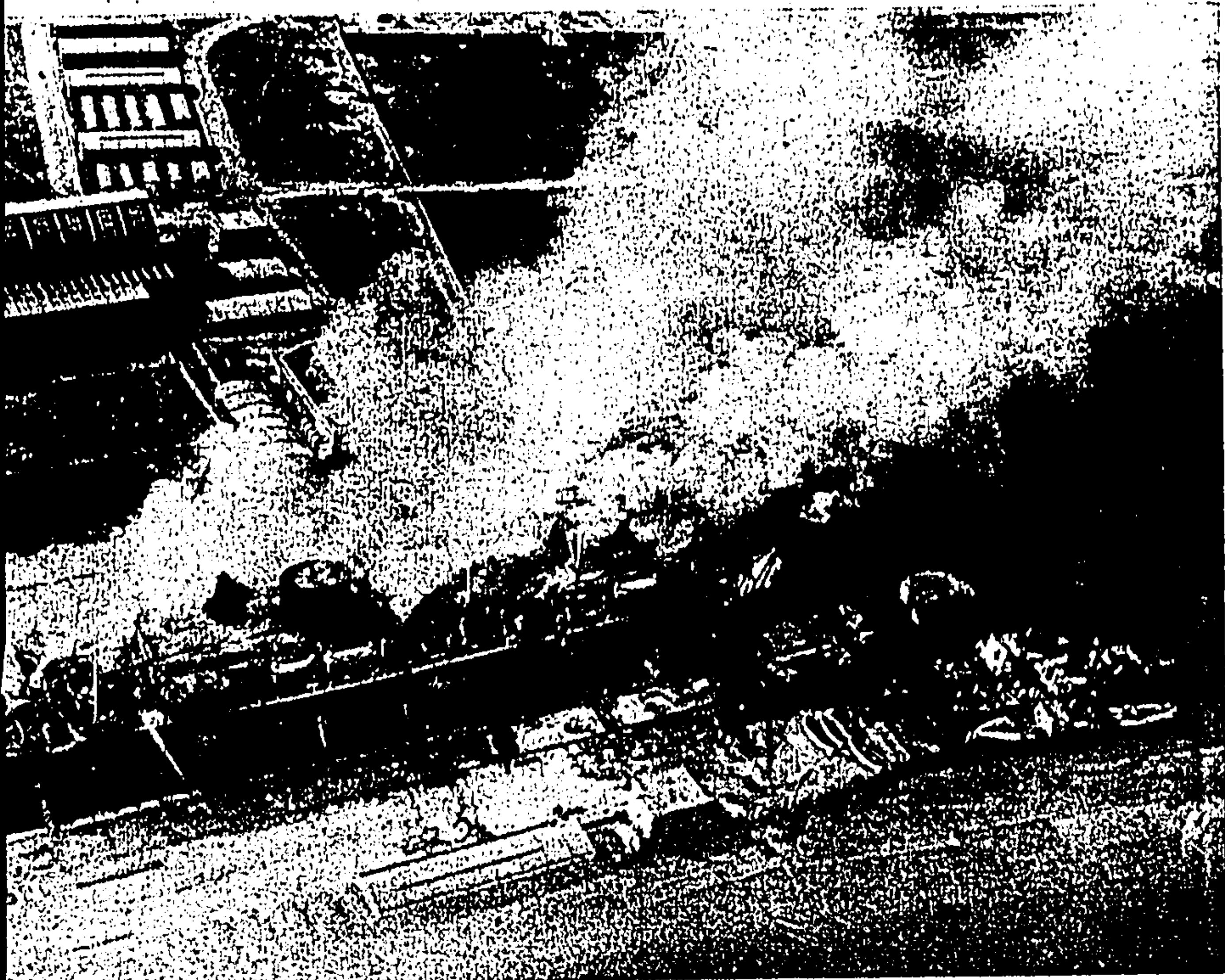
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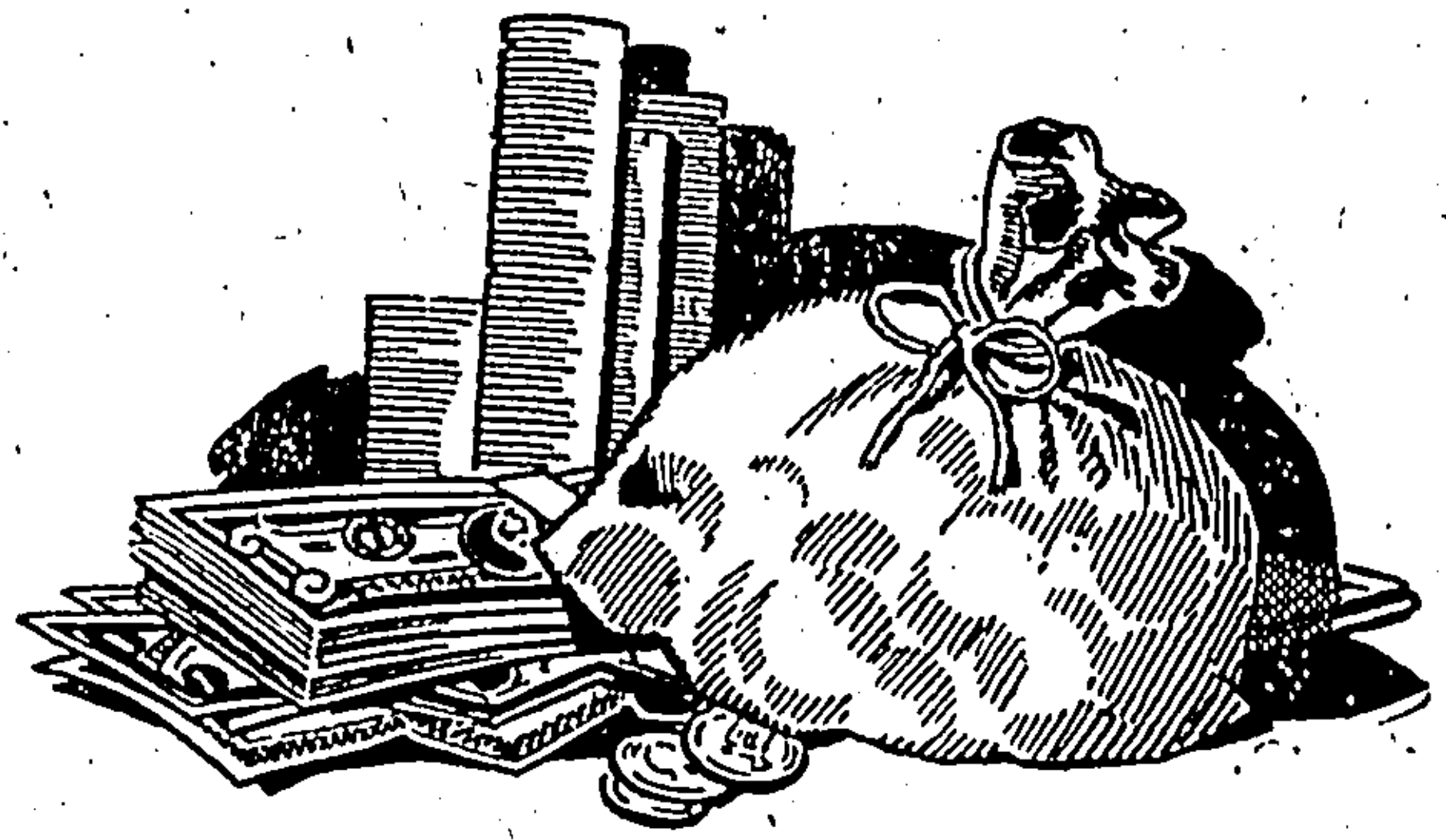
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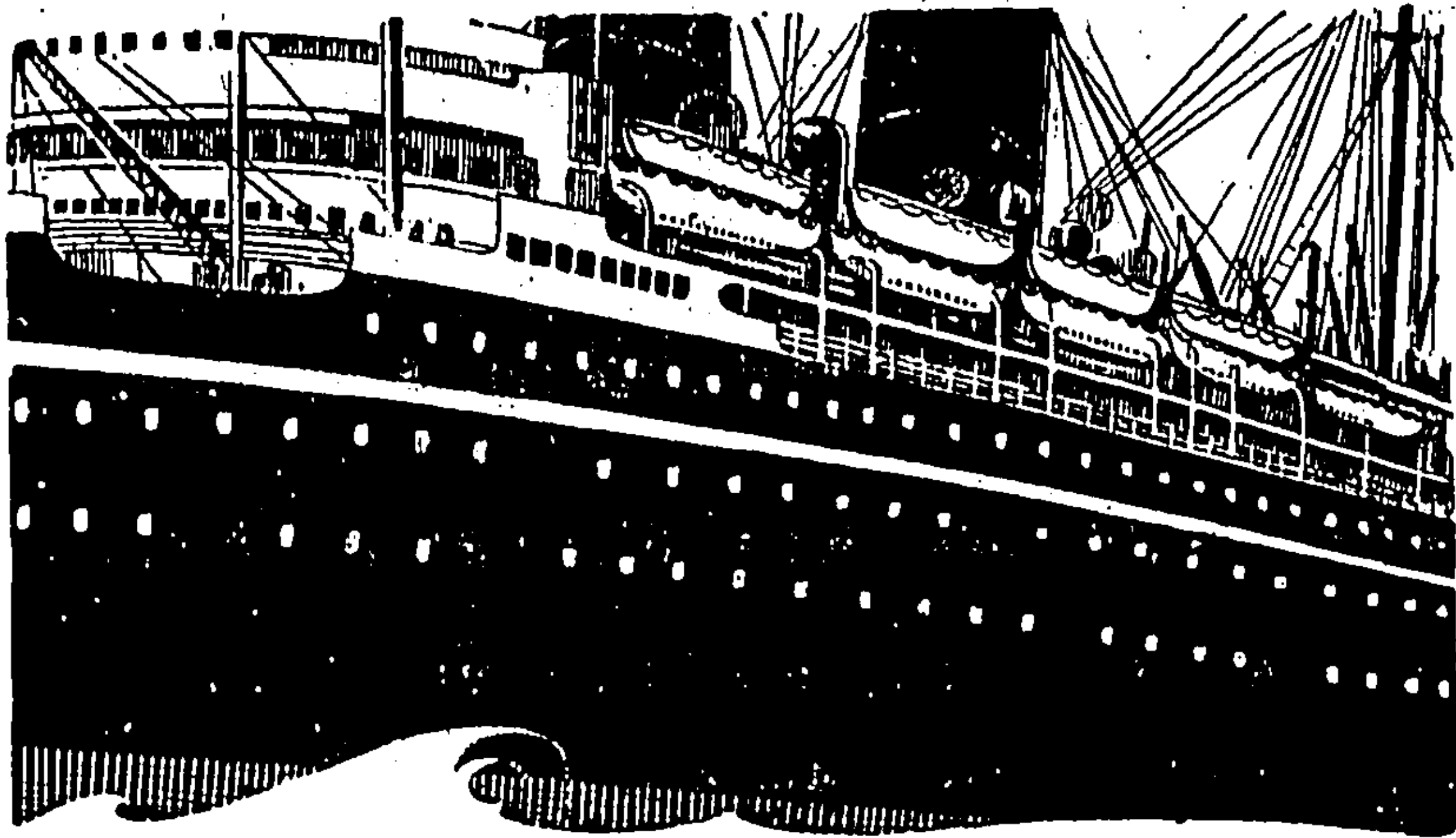
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 12th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 18.
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 11th May	Pan-American Airways Plane	May 18.
Straits	Diomed	May 18.
Java and Manila	Tjinegara	May 18.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tjibadak	May 18.
Japan	Talma	May 19.
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	May 19.
Haiphong	Kalgan	May 19.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila, San Francisco date, 22nd April.	Pres. Cleveland	May 19.
Straits and Hoihow	Muinam	May 19.
Japan	Protesilaus	May 19.
Japan and Shanghai	Soudan	May 19.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	May 19.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Hoihow	Kingyuan	May 20.
Japan, Shanghai and Formosa	Kasima Maru	May 20.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date 30th April)	Emp. of Japan	May 20.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 15th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	May 20.
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Straits	Antiochus	May 21.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and *Haiphong	Shantung	May 18, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	May 18, 2 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles — due Marseilles, 17th June and London	Deucalion	Wed., May 18, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
Parcels—due London, 23rd June.	Par.	May 18, 11 a.m.
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Service"—due Amsterdam 29th May.	Reg.	May 18, 12.45 p.m.
	Ord.	May 18, 1.30 p.m.
	Deucalion	Wed., May 18, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.	May 18, 12.30 p.m.
	Ord.	May 18, 1 p.m.
Haiphong	Canton	Wed., May 18, 2.00 p.m.
Manila, *Japan, *Canada and *U.S.A., —due Victoria B.C., 12th June.	Pres. Jefferson	Wed., May 18, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Tsinan	Wed., May 18, 2.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	Wed., May 18, G.P.O. & K.P.O.
*Japan	Reg.	May 18, 4.30 p.m.
	Ord.	May 18, 5 p.m.
	Hosang	May 18, 5 p.m.
	Thursdays	
Samshui and Wuchow	Kongso	May 19, 8.15 a.m.
Dairen and *Canada via Victoria B.C. —due Victoria B.C., 17th June.	Tyndareus	May 19, 9.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	May 19, 10 a.m.
Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin	Tingsang	May 19, 12.30 p.m.
Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Atsuta Maru	May 19, 3.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Preussen	May 19, 4.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 26th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., May 19, G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Reg.	May 19, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	May 19, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kweiyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service."	C.N.A.C. Plane	Fri., May 20, K. P. O.
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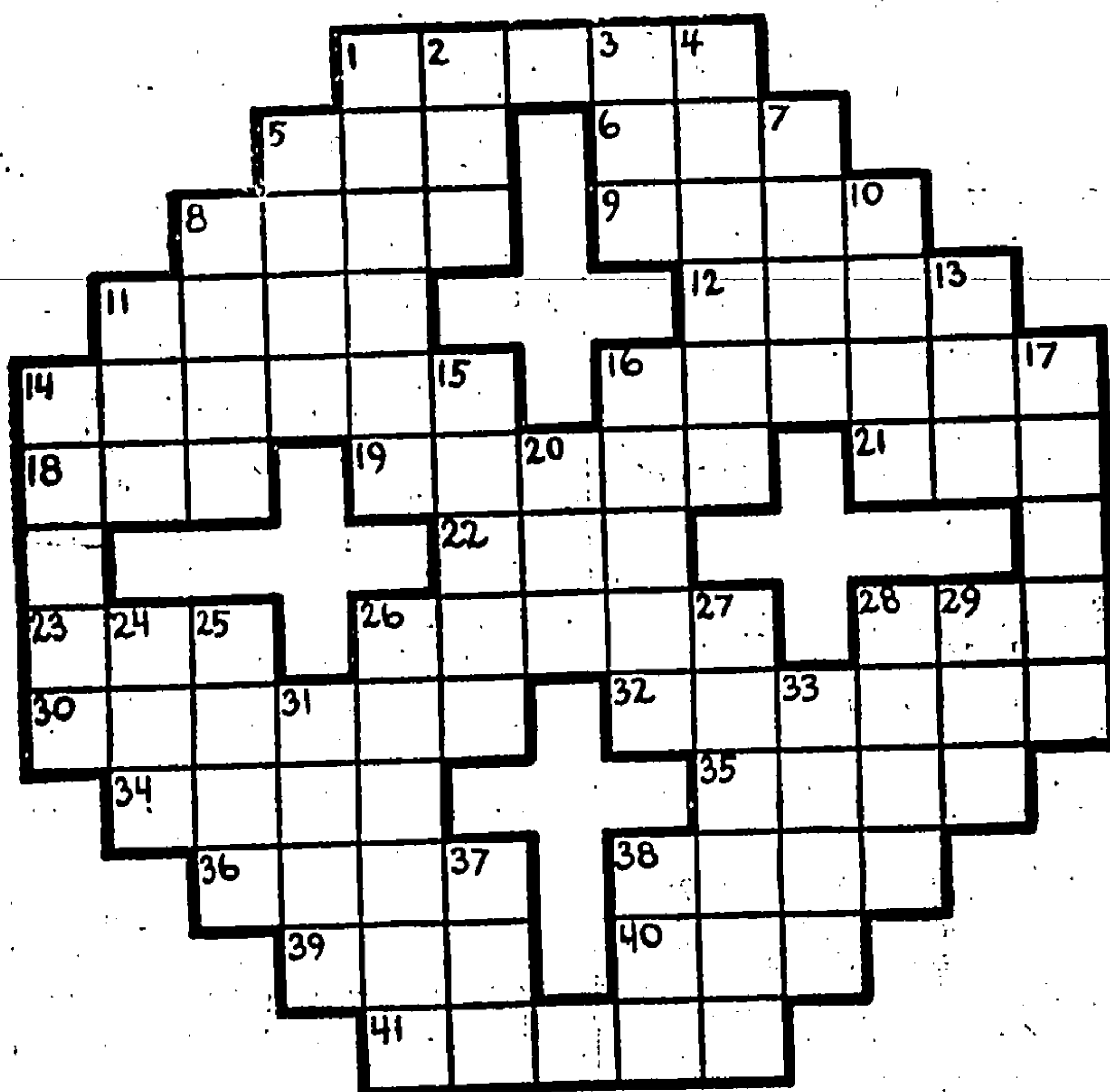
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- 12—Let fall
- 14—Waded across a stream
- 15—Listened
- 18—The sheltered side
- 19—Fear
- 21—Before
- 22—Old times (Poet.)
- 23—Young goat
- 26—A garden tool (pl.)
- 28—More than sufficient
- 30—Rubber
- 32—Narrow

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 34—Greek goddess of discord
- 35—Small stream
- 36—Part of the leg
- 38—Head of the Catholic church
- 39—South African antelope
- 40—A beverage
- 41—Sing in a free, hearty way

VERTICAL

- 1—Gazed
- 2—A fowl
- 3—Distant
- 4—Exchanged
- 5—Dry
- 7—Sink in mud

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 8—Nude
- 10—The joint of a stem
- 11—American poet
- 13—By
- 14—A chip of anything
- 15—Dismal (Poet.)
- 16—The underworld
- 17—Warehouse
- 20—Large deer
- 24—Anger
- 25—Somber
- 26—Be indignant at
- 27—Walk leisurely
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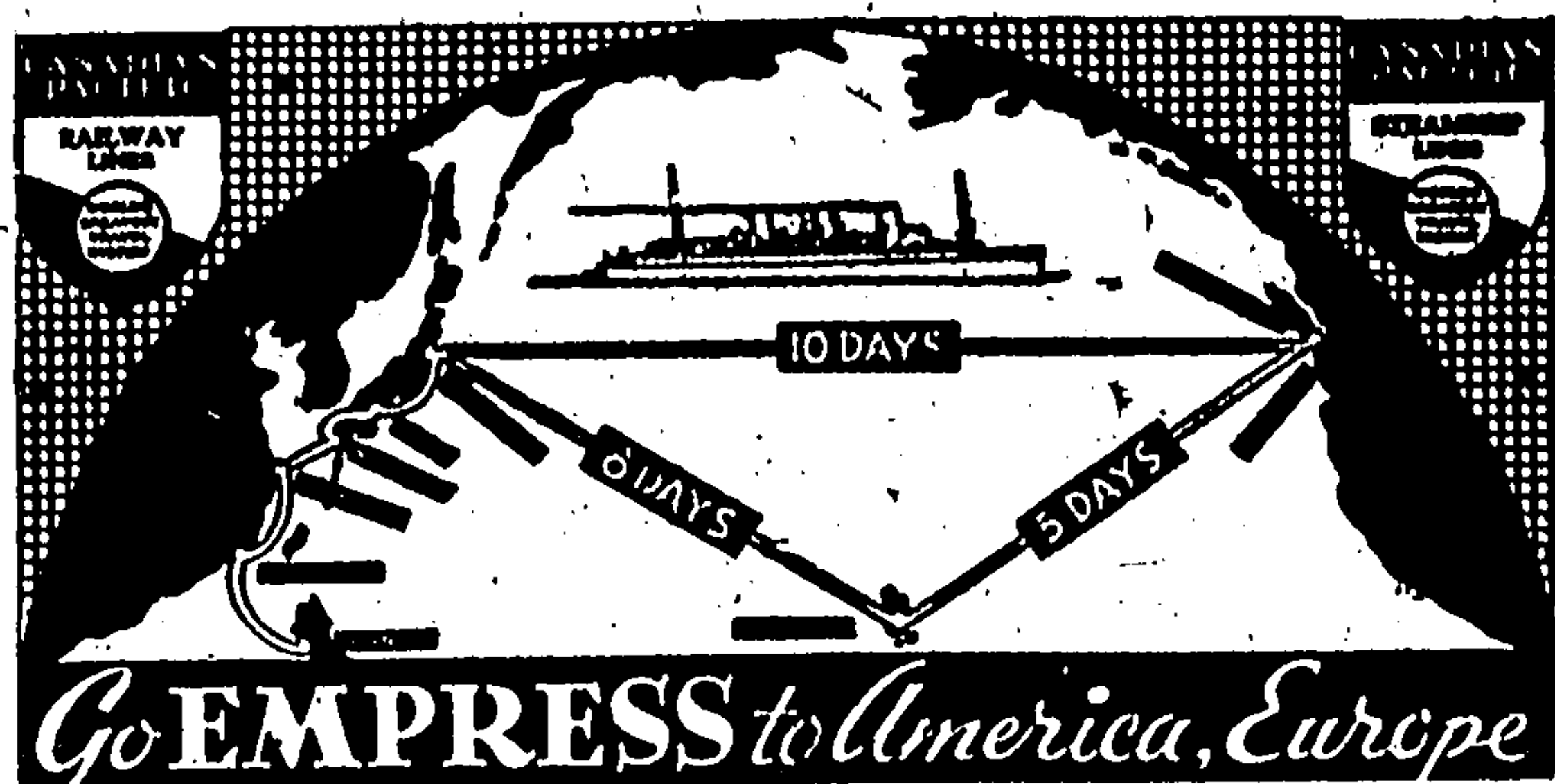
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Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

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 Hong Kong Bank \$1550 sa.
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 Macao Electrics \$17¼ b.
STORES, &C.
 Dairy Farms \$24¼ b.
MISCELLANEOUS
 Constructions \$1¼ b.
 Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) s/- 3/10 b.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-13/16.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London yesterday at 18-¾, and forward at 18-7/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.9656 and the New York on London rate at £-U.S.\$4.96-13/16.

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July/Sept. 20-¼ b. Up ½.
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Germany's Trade

Berlin, To-day.

German foreign trade shows for the month of April an excess of imports over exports of 26 million marks as against an excess of exports over imports of 12 million marks during March, 1938, and an excess of exports of 15 million marks during April, 1937.

The figures for 1938 are, however, not strictly comparable with those of last year in so far as since then Austria has been incorporated into the Reich so that the trade figures from now onwards contain those of Austria as well.

For the "Greater Reich" the imports totalled 477 million marks in April 1938, as against 478 in March, 1938 and 492 in April, 1937.

No conclusions can be drawn from the apparent heavy fall in exports by comparison with last year, seeing that the latter figure included also exports to Austria which have now disappeared altogether as foreign trade. A similarly apparent decline in imports is misleading as the imports from Austria are now excluded from calculation. Import from overseas declined only by 4 million marks.—Trans-Ocean.

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Joy, brunette, keen-eyed, is married, but Ann prefers speed to young men.

"I've no time for anything else," she told a reporter, "for flying is a full-time job and I am wrapped up in it."

FORGERY FRAUD ON BANK

Found guilty at the Criminal Sessions of being implicated in the \$14,000 fraud on the Overseas Chinese Banking Corporation, Ho Mong-sang, former office-boy of the Bank, and Leung Po were sentenced to five years' hard labour.

Third accused, a 16-year-old Chinese girl, Au Yeung Sau-chan, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

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TSUI YAN-PUI & KONG BEST WINNING PAIR ARMSTRONG MOST IMPRESSIVE

(By "ADREM")

At H. K. C. C., Chinese R. C. beat Hong Kong C. C. 6½—2½.

MOST interesting feature of this game was not the fact that Chinese Recreation Club won, it was not the appearance of three of the finest doubles players in the Colony, nor was it the return to the local League of veteran Ho Ka-lau, rather it was the exceedingly refreshing type of game played by the entire H.K.C.C. team.

NONE OF THEM HAVE BIG REPUTATIONS AS TENNIS PLAYERS AND I DON'T SUPPOSE FOR ONE MOMENT THAT ANY OF THEM HOPED TO DO BETTER THAN GIVE THEIR VISITORS ENOUGH OPPOSITION TO KEEP THEM INTERESTED.

With this end in view they went for their shots. Not for them any feeble lobbing or scuttling around in futile efforts to keep the ball in play. Rather, they chose to play the roles of attackers and right well did they fill them!

I arrived at the Cricket Club while the first round was in progress. On No. 1 Court, were George Sewell and Harry Owen-Hughes in action against a formidable combination in Tsui Wai-pui and Lee Wai-tong.

I took a cursory glance at courts Nos. 2 and 3 and then concentrated my attention on this game. Owen-Hughes and Sewell, I thought casually, appear to be doing rather well.

With Owen-Hughes following his favourite methods and prancing around on the forecourt, reaching his six feet odd into the air to bring down seemingly perfect lobs, occasionally cutting off a drive, and Sewell driving when he had the time and lobbing when he didn't, I saw them win a game.

THEY'D WON!

They crossed over. There was a repetition and when Owen-Hughes reached across, angle-volleyed a rather weak return for a winner and then walked off the court, I learned to my amazement that the Cricket Club pair had won the set 7—5 after leading by 5—2.

Further shocks were still to come. On the far court, Willie Hung and Ho Ka-lau, having won their first game against Harrison and Armstrong in quick time, had started on the second round in opposition to Alec Pearce and Sander. From what I could see at that distance, the C.R.C. pair were lobbing a great deal, while their opponents were smashing lustily if not particularly accurately.

This went on for quite a long while. Finally they finished and Hung brought over the encouraging, if decidedly unexpected news that Pearce and Sander had won 6—4.

By the time the second round had been completed, Harrison and Armstrong had taken a further half point off Tsui Wai-pui and Lee and the score, in favour of C.R.C., was 3½ sets to 2½ and the manner in which all the homesters were then playing, led one to wonder if one of the biggest sensations in the history of League Tennis was not

within the bounds of possibility.

NO FURTHER MISTAKES

However, there was no sensation. C.R.C. pulled up their socks and made no further mistakes while winning all the final round matches in the easiest possible manner.

From the point of view of the Cricket Club, yesterday's match must have proved singularly encouraging. To start off a season against a team like C.R.C.—on whom all bets are laid for the championship—and do as well as they did, will give all three pairs a great deal of confidence in themselves. I expect to see this confidence reflected in their subsequent fixtures.

On the other hand, it must not be lost sight of that C.R.C. were not exerting themselves unduly. Tsui Wai-pui for instance, must have found it very difficult to adapt



himself to an ordinary League game against a team which could not expect to win, after the nerve-racking excitement of tournament play. His game yesterday was very patchy and certainly not worthy of the acknowledged finest player in the Colony.

THE BEST PAIR

Lee Wai-tong was also not at his best. He could not smash, in fact none of his strokes carried very much sting and against hard hitting, most of which was naturally concentrated on him, he was forced into numerous errors.

Easily the most impressive pair were Paul Kong and Tsui Yan-pui. Their scores do not flatter them. They made very few errors and flashed out winners in all departments at will.

Ho Ka-lau was not very inspiring, and on his showing is certainly not the man he was when he was last in Hong Kong, but Hung played well up to form, his service especially being as usual, a potent weapon.

For the losers, I liked the performance of Armstrong. His flat-racket backhand drive and heavily-topped dipping forehand were eminently reliable while his service and volleying left nothing to be desired. Harrison also hit forcefully off the ground but was not so good in sustained rallies.

INCONSISTENCY

Sander and Pearce were both brilliant and erratic in turn. They were effective overhead and for the most part, drove well but they were never reliable on the volley. They covered each other very well and with more practice together will make a formidable pair against the best teams in the League.

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"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY.

St. Andrew's Changes And U.S. Views

KEEN interest is being taken in America in the proposal to construct a super golfer course at St. Andrews, and it is estimated that the scheme has been written up by 1300 American sports writers, covering a newspaper circulation of some 6,000,000.

Commenting on the proposal, one prominent American critic states:—Modern golf equipment and the recession of the sea have the Old Course in a bad way in its claim to contemporaneous leadership. Four holes are now no more than of drive-and-chip length, and five (in addition to the par-3 holes) can be driven. The ninth, tenth, and twelfth holes are respectively 306, 312, and 314 yards, which gives an indication of how hopeless it seems to be to preserve the Old Course's reputation as a championship venue.

The present so-called New Course never has been good enough to compare with the famous Old lay-out, and as tinkering with the new Course is pronounced futile by experts, it is proposed to instal 18 great holes bordering the shore south of the Old Course. In the last forty years the sea has been receding to such an extent that in the new land there is plenty of territory of the right topography for a modern course.

Golf constitutes a major factor in the town's income, adds the writer, but the traditional lure is fast weakening, due to the obsolescence of the famed Old Course. Competent American appraisers of golf course architecture and playing interest declare that St. Andrews Old Course is far inferior to many other less ballyhooed courses in England, Scotland, and the United States. There has been persistently increasing mention in the United States of the Old Course's shortcomings, consequently a definite drop in the former desire of American golfers to make a pilgrimage to the "shrine." Protagonists of the new course have told, with considerable validity, that a modern course would bring again to St. Andrews the easy spenders who figure it is a toss-up between St. Andrews and the Pyramids as relics, and that they can pass up both items of historic interest.

Not much opposition appears to be in the way of the town putting in the new course with a guarantee that construction expense will not exceed a reasonable amount.

S. C. Wooderson May Run In America

SIX of the outstanding European athletes, including Sydney Wooderson, world outdoor mile record holder; James Alford, the Welsh winner of the mile in the British Empire Games at Sydney; and A. G. K. Brown, the crack British quarter and half miler, have been invited to participate in Princeton University's fifth annual invitation track meeting to be held on June 18.

It is understood that Wooderson's acceptance hinges on the date of his Civil Service examinations in June.

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The F. A. Council turned down the recommendation of the Rules Revision Committee that an instruction be issued to clubs that they refrain from publishing the amount of the gate receipts taken in F. A. Cup ties.

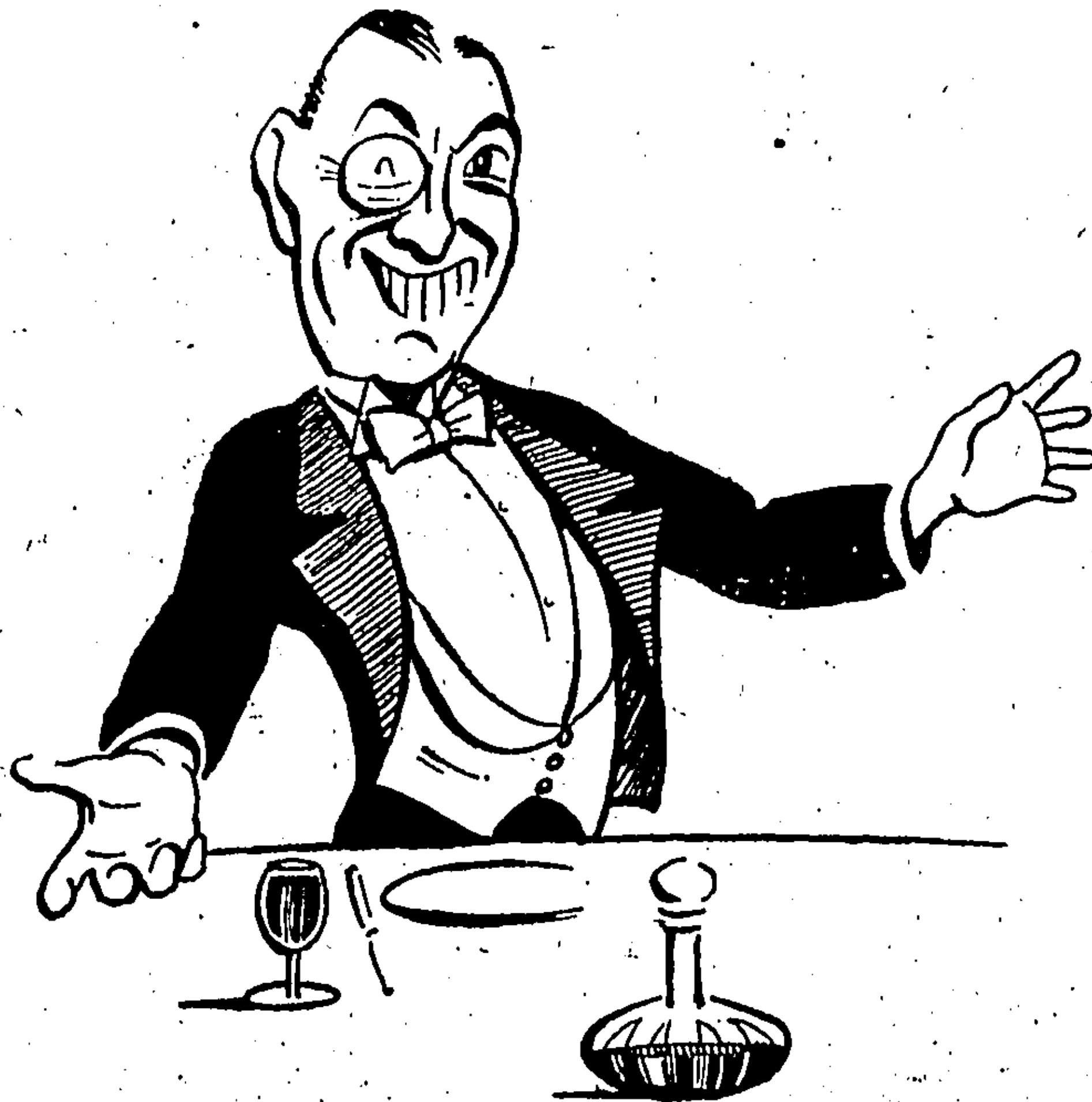
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Seven nations contested the international cross-country championship at Belfast on April 2 and C. A. Emery, the former Cambridge runner, created a minor surprise by finishing first in 49 mins. 57 secs. Second was J. Chapelle (Belgium) 50 mins. 16 secs.; and third, S. O. A. Palmer (Wales).

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Ipswich Town, who defeated Heart of Midlothian in a friendly match on March 5, expect to secure election to the Southern section of the Third Division of the English League in May.

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SAIGON SOCCER XI PROVE TOO GOOD FOR ROYAL NAVY

BRILLIANT SECOND HALF RALLY

THE Saigon Football team continued in winning vein when they defeated the Royal Navy at Causeway Bay yesterday by 6 goals to 2 after being led at the interval by two clear goals in a game featured by neat short passing bouts among the visitors' forwards.

THE VISITORS INCLUDED SEVERAL NEW PLAYERS IN THEIR SIDE AND THE QUICK TACKLING AND ACCURATE PASSING WHICH WAS PROMINENT IN THEIR PREVIOUS ENCOUNTERS WAS CONSPICUOUS BY ITS ABSENCE. BUT IN THE SECOND HALF, AS THE RESULT OF SEVERAL POSITIONAL CHANGES, THERE WAS MORE COHESION AMONG THE FORWARDS.

Paccini, who played in the pivotal position for the visitors, in place of Buu, though not so polished and accurate in his distribution put in much hard work and though he was led a merry dance by Cooke, Venning and Wright, the Navy inside forwards, came more into the picture in the closing half and plied his forwards with numerous passes.

Dixon, the Navy pivot, was in great form in the opening half. He adopted the third back game and this had the desired effect, while kicking was good.

Another Navy half to shine was Webster, at right half. He had the better of Quang throughout the first half and was able to assist his forwards to a very great extent. In the second half he found Tanh trickier, but was still able to hold him.

Naughton and Marriot were safe in the first period and by quick tackling and anticipation were able to nip in the bud many a dangerous move by the Saigon forwards, but in the second period when the naval team was obviously tiring they found their task too great.

Cooke and Venning were the pick of the Navy forwards and were dangerous when in position, but were not able to test Tai, the Saigon goalkeeper, owing to the great defensive work by Xe and Cui.

The visitors forwards were completely subdued in the first half and apart from an occasional shot Woolford was not really troubled. In the second period they were very dangerous, Van being the most conspicuous. His swerve was very deceptive and he caught many a defender napping. Bang, at centre forward, displayed good ball control and also required continual watching.

TO-DAY'S TENNIS PROGRAMME

The following is to-day's "B" Division Lawn Tennis League programme:—

C.R.C.	v.	C.S.C.C.
C. de R.	v.	C.C.C.
K.I.T.C.	v.	H.K.C.C.
K.C.C.	v.	H.K.U.T.C.
I.R.C.	v.	S.C.A.A.

Quang, on the right wing showed a good turn of speed but was often caught in the off-side position and spoiled many opportunities.

The Navy took the lead through Venning early in the first half when he sent in a good drive and shortly after Cooke increased the lead when he crashed in a beautiful first timer.

After the interval a complete change came over the Saigon team. Van scored, when he nipped in between the two backs and shortly after levelled the scores with a well placed shot. A bout of short passing culminated in Nanh scoring, and few minutes later Van and Nanh netted again. Tanh completed the scoring when he beat Woolford with a high shot from the wing.

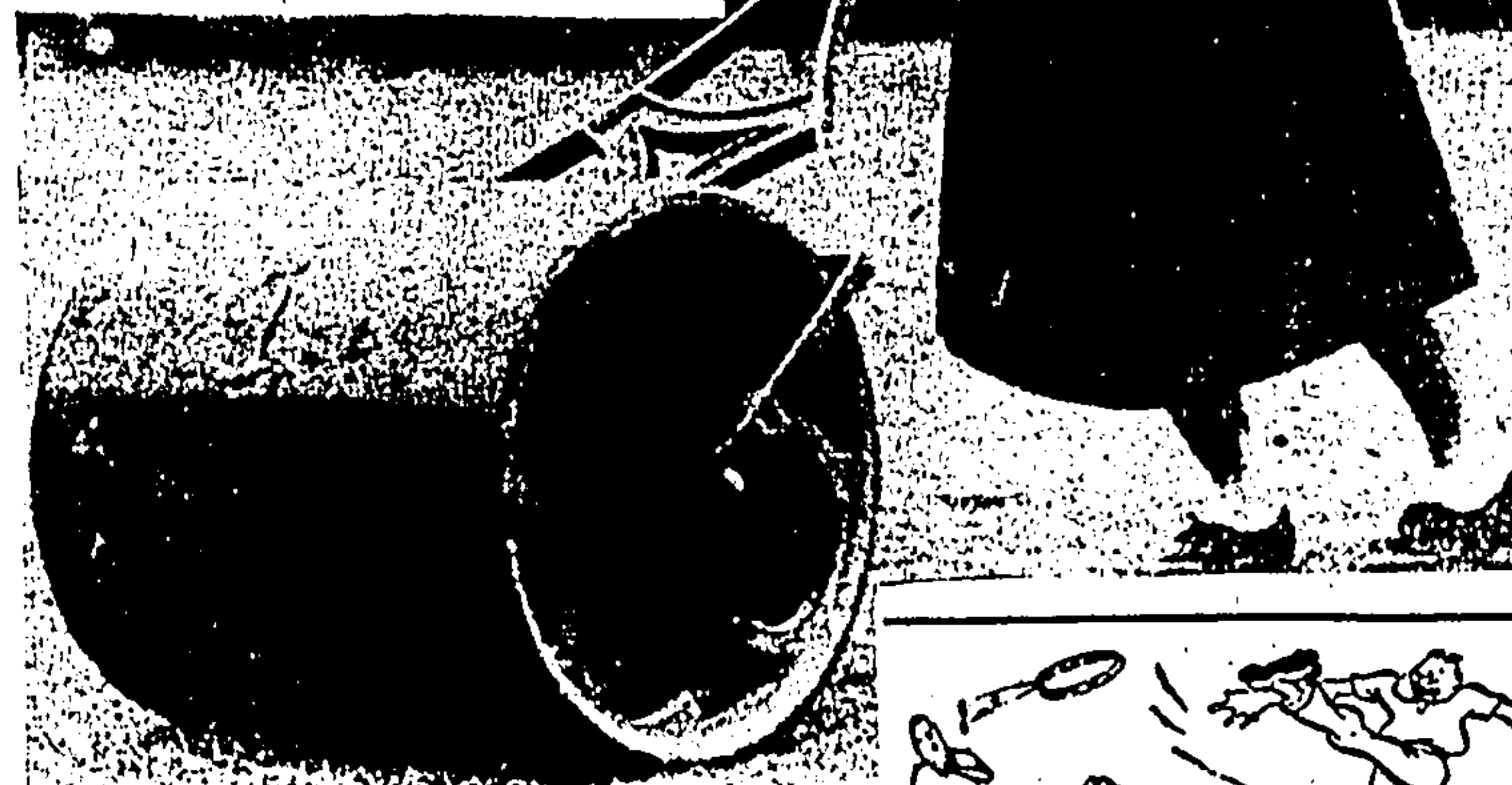
Navy:—Woolford; Naughton, Marriot; Webster, Dixon, Roper; Spiller, Cooke, Venning, Wright and Hunt.
Saigon:—Tai, Xe, Cui; Bach, Paimi, Danh; Manh, Quang, Bong, Van and Tanh.

"B" GAME POSTPONED

The "B" Division Tennis League game between K.C.C. and University has been postponed owing to the University examinations.

GARDENING AS PRELUDE TO TENNIS

Gem Hoahing, one of the most brilliant young tennis players in recent years, finds relaxation in gardening before serious training for the senior tournaments in which she will appear this year. This picture was taken at her home at Twickenham. (Copyright, Fox).



INTERESTING "B" DIVISION MATCH TO-DAY

Recreio Clash With Craigengower

Six matches will feature the "B" Division of the Lawn Tennis League this afternoon and by far the most interesting match will probably be that between Recreio and Craigengower, at King's Park.

Last season Recreio finished second to C.R.C. in the final League standings, while Craigengower were third, one point in arrears.

Recreio are fielding their strongest possible team to-day, while their visitors will also be at full strength.

The Chinese Recreation Club, holders, should experience little difficulty in securing both points at the expense of the Civil Servants.

TO-DAY'S TEAMS

The following are some of to-day's teams:—

"B" DIVISION

C.R.C.
To be selected from F. H. Kwok, S. W. Liang, Wong Fuk-nam, Luk Chun-cheung, Tsoi Ping-fan and possibly Luk Ding-cheung and Wong Shiu-wing, providing the latter are not needed for the "A" team.

K.I.T.C.
S. A. Hussain and S. S. Hussain. Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan. Lt. D. C. Misra and Gurbachan Singh.

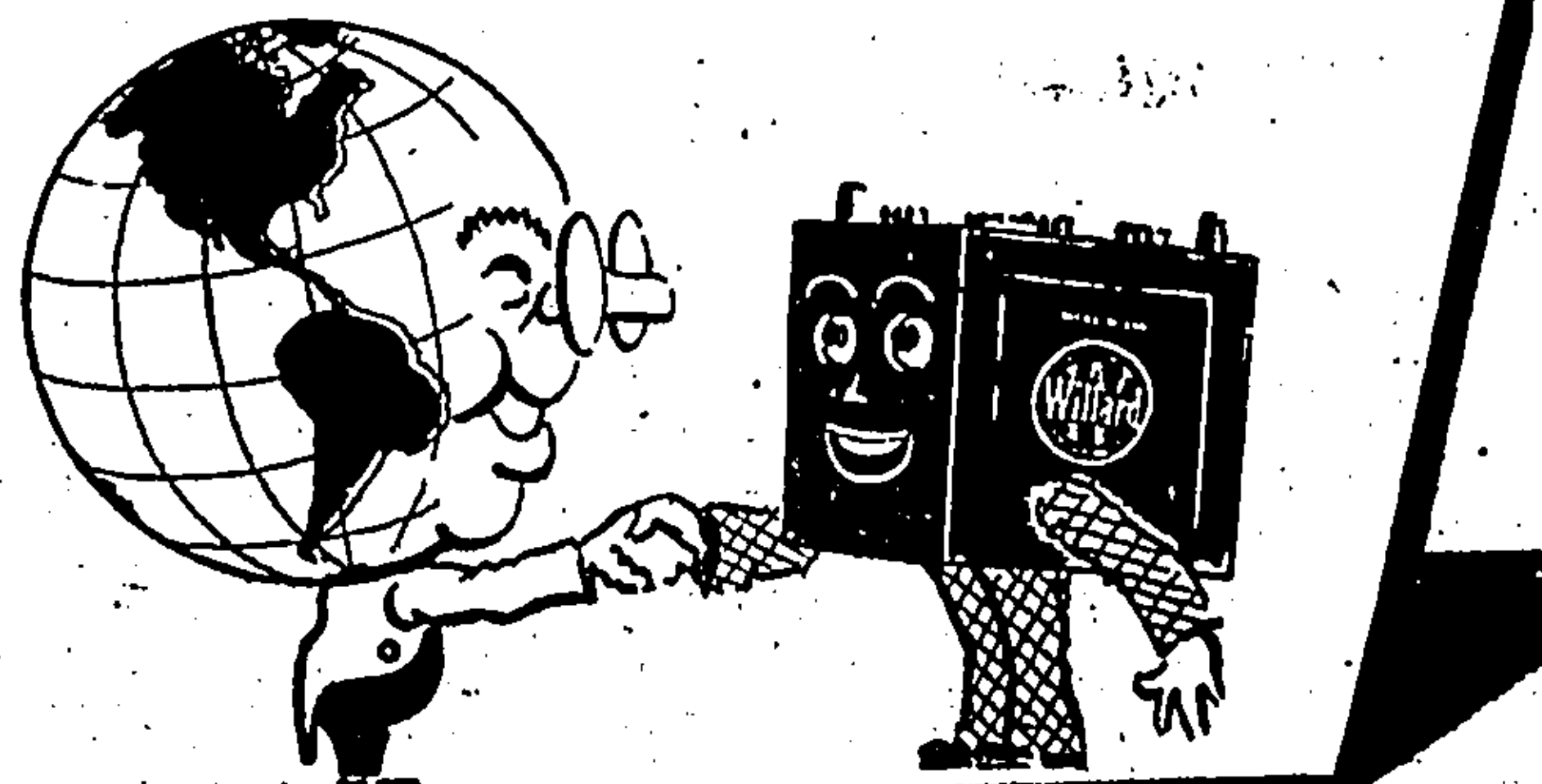
K.C.C.
G. E. Clarke and E. Blum. F. Grose and J. Januoski. W. Miller and A. Duncan.

RECREIO
L. A. L. Silva and Dr. A. M. Rodrigues.

F. J. Remedios and J. J. Remedios. M. A. Oliveira and L. A. Carvalho.

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Sewell is getting beyond the strain of the First League and could not get around fast enough but his vast experience stood him in good stead and well supported by Owen Hughes' amazing work at the net, gave a really stouthearted display.

H. Owen Hughes and G. W. Sewell (H.K.C.C.)
beat Tsui Wai-pui and Lee Wai-tong 7-5
lost to Tsui Yan-pui and Paul Kong 0-6
lost to W. C. Hung and Ho Ka-lau 3-6



T. A. Pearce and W. Sander (H.K.C.C.)
lost to Tsui Wai-pui and Lee Wai-tong 1-6
lost to Tsui Yan-pui and Paul Kong 1-6
beat Hung and Ho Ka-lau 6-4
H. J. Armstrong and F. V. Harrison (H.K.C.C.)
tied with Tsui Wai-pui and Lee Wai-tong 6-6
lost to Tsui Yan-pui and Paul Kong 3-6
lost to Hung and Ho Ka-lau 3-5

OLYMPIC GAMES

Brussels, to-day.
The Olympic Games Executive Committee yesterday fixed the Olympic Games dates as Sept. 21 to January 8, 1940, in Tokyo. — Reuter.

I don't think football is unduly rough. It is certainly not as rough as it was in the old days. We have no complaints to make about other teams. We don't want rough play, but neither do we expect to see players begging each other's pardon when they go for the ball.—R. Mellor, Oldham Athletic's secretary-manager.

I.R.C. TROUNCE U.S.R.C. IN "A" DIVISION MATCH

Lt. Bradbury Gives
Polished Display

The Indian Recreation Club commenced their "A" Division League Tennis season with a comfortable win over the United Services Recreation Club, at home yesterday, when they won by 8 sets to 1, Omar Rumjahn, former Colony Doubles Champion and holder of the Tientsin singles title, making his re-appearance in partnership with S. A. Rumjahn.

The Indians were much better balanced than their opponents. The U.S.R.C. have a fine player in Bradbury, whose stroking was very polished. Unfortunately he has not had much time for practice yet, but if his services are still available in the future, he should prove a valuable acquisition to the team.

S. A. Rumjahn and O. Rumjahn (I.R.C.):—
beat Cdr. E. G. A. Clifford and L. Goldman 6-2
beat G. E. R. Divett and J. Smalley 6-3
beat Surg. Lt. Bradbury and Lt. D. C. Misra 7-5
A. R. Minu and I. M. A. Razack (I.R.C.):—

lost to Clifford and Goldman 4-6
beat Divett and Smalley 6-3
beat Bradbury and Misra 6-0
H. D. Rumjahn and A. H. Madar (I.R.C.):—
beat Clifford and Goldman 6-0
beat Divett and Smalley 6-1
beat Bradbury and Misra 7-5



UPSETS FEATURE WOMEN'S GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Holder & Miss P. Barton
Both Eliminated

Burnham, Somerset, To-day.

The holder of the British Women's Golf Championship, Miss Jessie Anderson, received a shock in the third round of the event, yesterday, when she was eliminated by Mrs. R. Peel, of Haddingtonshire, Scotland, who was one up.

Miss Madeline Fyshe, runner-up in the English Championship in 1936, beat Miss Gloria Minoprio, the one-club golfer, by 4 and 3, while Miss G. Tierman, of Ireland, caused another upset when she defeated Miss Pam Barton, by 5 and 3. —Reuter.

On the face of it, the decision of Gene Sarazen to retire from the American Ryder Cup golf team because they have refused to make him captain sounds rather like the boy who—being the owner of the ball with which they play on his father's piece of waste ground—insists upon being captain and centre forward of the Soccer team.—A writer in the London "Evening Standard."

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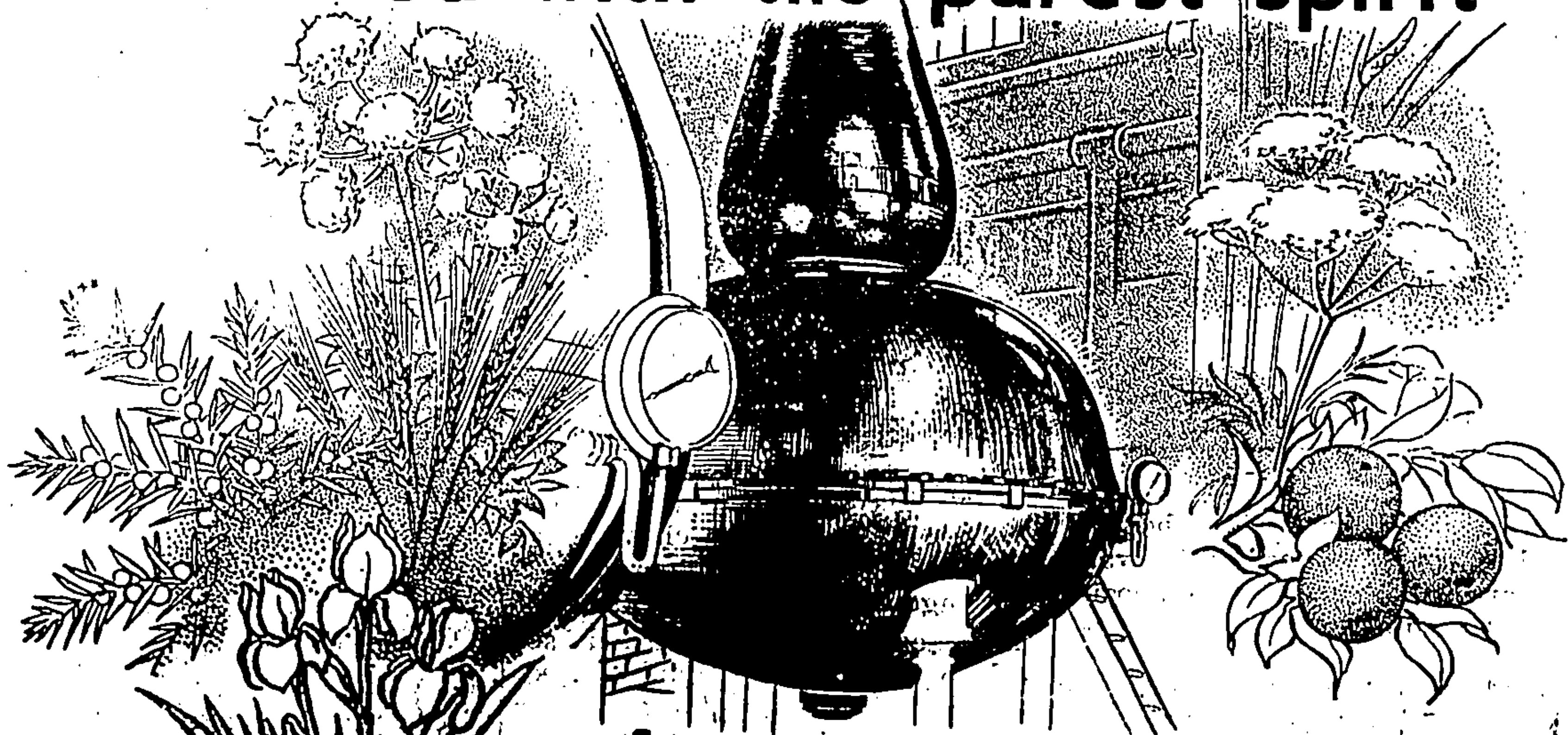
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Rain Interferes With Play

Cricket Matches Decided On First Innings

W.R. HAMMOND SCORES ANOTHER CENTURY

London, To-day.

Rain interfered with many of the County Cricket Championship matches yesterday and as a result many were decided on the first innings, although there was no play in the M.C.C.-Australian encounter, at Lord's, which was declared a draw.

Glamorgan, making their first appearance this season, took first innings points off Warwickshire, Clay bowling well to take 5 for 59.

At Southampton, Leicestershire beat Hampshire on the first innings, C. S. Dempster, the skipper, making his second consecutive century (he scored 105 against the Australians).

Yorkshire, the County Champions, were in for a shock at Gloucester where Gloucestershire secured first innings points, "Walter" Hammond scoring his fourth century of the season.

Hammond's performances to date are:

89 v. Oxford U.
112 v. Hampshire.

SOUTH CHINA PLAYERS OUT OF PRACTICE

Miss Captain Against K.C.C. And Lose 8-1

Lack of practice, due to the fact that their courts are being returned, left South China Athletic Association completely at the mercy of Kowloon Cricket Club in the "A" Division of the Tennis League yesterday at the K.C.C., and they lost by 8 sets to 1.

South China also greatly missed Wong Fuk-nam, their skipper, who is recovering from his recent operation, and not even his presence among the spectators could help to pull them together.

A. Chan, better known for his exploits with Kowloon Tong G. C. A. two seasons ago, gave evidence that he is going to make a name for himself in time. He reminds one of Ho Ka-lau in his tactics. It was not very steady and paid much more attention to spin than length. Of the other four players H. K. Ho was most in the limelight.

K.C.C. strength could not be fully gauged as they were never fully extended by opponents who preferred the lob to the drive. Ernie Fincher gave a fine display overhead and appears likely to give his brother Teddy better support than he did last year.

Crawford's ground shots and volleys were effective, but his lobbing lacked length. Burnett played a fair game in the first two sets, but was most unreliable in the final set against Chan and Ip.

Guest came to the net more often than is his wont and as a result won many more points. Gray was brilliant in spasms, but will have to pay more attention to his second service.

K.C.C. have not a championship team this year, but they are strong enough to hold their own against any team except C.R.C., and possibly I.R.C.

Scores:
E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)
beat A. Chan and C. P. Ip 6-2
beat Liu Kwai-fan and H. K. Ho 6-1
beat Ho Wai-hing and P. Y. Chang 6-1
A. Crawford and G. C. Burnett (K.C.C.)
beat Chan and Ip 7-5
beat Liu and Ho 6-2
beat Ho and Chang 6-0
A. E. P. Guest and S. A. Gray (K.C.C.)
beat Chan and Ip 6-2
lost to Liu and Ho 5-7
beat Ho and Chang 6-2

237 v. Derbyshire.
116 v. Middlesex.
124 v. Yorkshire.

At Trent Bridge Sussex beat Nottinghamshire by an innings and 71 runs, Jim Parks scoring all round the wicket for his 169, while Cornfield also contributed his share towards Sussex's success by capturing 5 for 40 to help dismiss the losers for 176 in their second knock.

Results as cabled by Reuter, were:

At Birmingham, Glamorgan beat Warwickshire on the first innings. Warwick: 215 (Clay 5 for 59) and 178 (Clay 4 for 61, Mercer 4 for 51). Glamorgan: 222 (Holmes 6 for 81) and 142 for 3.

At Cambridge, the University drew with Northamptonshire. Cambridge: 209 and 379 for 7 dec. (P. A. Gibb 141, Thompson 96). Northants: 168 and 172 for 4.

At Southampton, Leicestershire beat Hampshire on the first innings. Hants: 221 and 64 for 2. Leicester: 288 for 8 dec. (C. S. Dempster 110; Boyes 5 for 52).

At Chesterfield, Derbyshire beat Surrey by 112 runs. Derby: 235 and 210. Surrey: 159 (Mitchell 7 for 45) and 174 (Townsend 7 for 57).

At Gloucester, Gloucestershire beat Yorkshire on the first innings. Yorks: 266 (Sutcliffe 110) and 58 for 0. Gloucester: 428 for 9 dec. (W. R. Hammond 124).

At Nottingham, Sussex beat Nottinghamshire by an innings and 71 runs. Sussex: 478 for 7 dec. (Jim Parks 169, Cox 101). Notts: 231 and followed on 176 (J. Cornford 5 for 40).

EARLIER RESULTS

At Lord's, the M.C.C. drew with the Australians, rain preventing play yesterday. Australians—502 (D. G. Bradman 278, A. L. Hassett 57; Smith 6 for 139). M.C.C.—214 (R. E. S. Wyatt 84 not out; Fleetwood-Smith 4 for 69) and followed on 87 for 1.

At Ilford, Lancashire beat Essex by an innings and 177 runs. Lancashire—491 for 8 dec. (Iddon 114, Oldfield 115; Peter Smith 5 for 87). Essex—119 (Nutter 5 for 38) and followed on 195.

—Reuter.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

The following matches start to-day:
At Lord's—Middlesex v Lancashire.
At the Oval—Surrey v Derbyshire.
At Northampton—Northants v The Australians.
At Basingstoke—Hampshire v Worcestershire.
At Gillingham—Kent v Gloucestershire.
At Hove—Sussex v Warwickshire.
At Sheffield—Yorkshire v Essex.
At Cambridge—Cambridge University v Notts.
At Oxford—Oxford University v Leicestershire.

AUSTRALIAN GIRL WINS KING OF SWEDEN'S CUP

London, April 18.—Miss Thelma Coyne, the Australian Doubles Champion, partnered by J. S. Olliff, won the King of Sweden's Mixed Doubles Cup yesterday at the Spring Meeting of the International Club, at the R.A.C. Country Club, Epsom (writes A. Wallis Myers).

Seventeen pairs competed, and among the players who partnered I. C. members were the four members of the Australian Women's team which arrived in England last Friday. Miss



N. Wynne, Australian champion in 1937, paired with H. G. N. Copper, Mrs. Hopman with K. C. Gandar Dowler, and Miss D. Stevenson with N. Sharpe.

Divided into two sections of eight players, each competition was decided under sealed handicap. Both sectional winners were on the back mark at scratch, but Olliff and Miss Coyne only won their division after a tie with E. R. Avery and Mrs. Strawson, who received a handicap of four games.

In the final, consisting of one set, Olliff and his partner conceded two-sixths, and the volleying of Miss Coyne in this match, as in the previous round, was a feature of the day's play.

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12.30 p.m.—Songs by Norman Allin (Bass).
12.43 p.m.—Light Orchestral Selections.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
"Chu Chin Chow"—Selection (Norton)... The London Palladium Orchestra cond. by Richard Crea.
The Beggar Student (Millocker-Zell-Genee)... Hans Fidesser (Tenor) with Orchestra of the German State Opera conductor: Prof. Robert Heger.
"Lily Of Killarney"—Vocal Gems (Benedict)... Light Opera Company & Orch.
The Damask Rose—Selection (Chopin themes, adapted G. H. Clutsam)... Court Symphony Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
7 p.m.—Reginald Dixon at the Organ. Sweet Music—Film Selection. Roberta—Film Selection. Dixon Hits No. 2.
"Chorus Gentlemen, Please".
7.15 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.17 p.m.—Schumann—Symphony No. 1 in B Flat Major, Op. 38. Played by Chicago Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Frederick Stock.
7.48 p.m.—Yehudi Menuhin (Violin). Turkish March (Scherzo—Beethoven—Auer).
La Chasse (Caprice—Cartier—Kreisler).
Guitarre (Moszkowski—Sarasate).
Sicilienne Et Rigaudon (Francoeur—Kreisler).
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Piano Recital by Doreen Ma.
8.20 p.m.—London Relay—The Golden Hind'. A chronicle of Drake's circumnavigation of the Globe. When Drake sailed West in 1577 his aim was merely to harry the Spaniards in their private ocean of the Pacific. The discovery of the Horn was an accident, the circumnavigation an after-thought. But the entire voyage was a series of adventures as strange and fantastic as any in the whole history of romance.
8.50 p.m.—Quentin Maclean at the Organ.
It Was So Beautiful (Freed & Barrie).
King Of Jazz—Selection.... Regal Cinema Orchestra cond. by Emanuel Starkey with Quentin M. Mac-

lean at the Organ.
9 p.m.—Light Orchestral Programme with Walter Glynne (Tenor).
Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel).
Policeman's Holiday (Ewing).
New Light Symphony Orchestra.
A Dream Of Paradise (Gray & Littleton).
Old Rustic Bridge By The Mill (Skelly)... Walter Glynne with Organ and Male Chorus.
Phantom Brigade (Myddleton).
Aisha (Lindsay)... The London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Richard Crea.
The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley—Elliott).
I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton—Alan Murray)... Walter Glynne.
"The Gay Nineties"—Waltz Medley.
New Mayfair Orchestra with vocal refrain.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"West End Cabaret". With—Emie Atherton, May, June and Julie, The Mystery Singer, The Two Charlatades, Madge Stephens and Peggy Rhodes, Clifford Stanton, Queenie Leonard and Edward Cooper, Madge Mullen at the Piano, Piping by Ex-Pipe Major Massie, Philip Wade as a Taxi-driver, Ord Hamilton and his 20th Century Band and Interruptions by Leonard Henry as the Visitor.
11 p.m.—Close down.

Theatre Organ.
5.50 a.m.—"The Gang Smasher" (Episode 7). A radio serial adapted from the novel The Gang Smasher by Hugh Clevely.
6.10 a.m.—Over the Farm Gate. A talk by J. A. Scott Watson, Professor of Rural Economy, University of Oxford.
6.25 a.m.—The Music of Cesar Franck.
6.50 a.m.—The News and Announcements: Greenwich Time Signal at 7.00 a.m.
7.15 a.m.—Close Down.

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10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Palace of Varieties'.
11.45 a.m.—The Chamber Music of Mozart.
12.20 p.m.—The Golden Hind'. A chronicle of Drake's circumnavigation of the globe.
12.50 p.m.—Harpsichord Music.
1.00 p.m.—The BBC Midland Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.57 p.m.—Close Down.

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSF 15.14 Mc/s (19.82 m.)

1.57 p.m.—Opening Announcements.
2.00 p.m.—Big Ben. 'Monologues in Melody', by Nancy Logan.
2.15 p.m.—The BBC Empire Orchestra.
3.15 p.m.—'Take your Choice.' A weekly entertainment feature.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—Dance Music. Alfredo and his Gipsy Orchestra.
4.40 p.m.—'World Affairs.' A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson.
5.00 p.m.—Close Down.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

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G.M.T.

5.00 a.m.—Big Ben. 'Green Fields and Pavements.' A talk by Henry Williamson.
5.15 a.m.—Phil Finch, at the BBC

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

How Good Are You?

Mr. Culbertson is conducting, through this column, an examination of bridge players. Rate yourself by subtracting from 100 the points for each wrong answer.

Yesterday's question was:
Question 43: You are West, declarer at a three no trump contract, in rubber bridge. Your hand and dummy are as follows:

WEST	EAST [dummy]
S.—J 8 4	S.—A 5 3
H.—K Q 6 2	H.—A
D.—A K 4	D.—J 10 9 7 2
C.—A 10 5	C.—7 6 3 2

North opened the heart jack. You must win with dummy's singleton ace. What card do you then lead from dummy, and what card do you play from your own hand?

Answer: You should lead the deuce of diamonds, disdaining the finesse, and play out your own ace and king, thus insuring four diamond tricks while retaining the spade ace entry in dummy. To lead the diamond jack and finesse is bad play. If the finesse loses to North's queen he can lead a spade and remove dummy's entry while the diamond suit still is blocked. If South had the diamond queen and three guards the finesse would succeed but, of course, South would not cover and the suit still would be blocked. [Two points demerit for failure to play the diamond suit as prescribed.]

TO-DAY'S QUESTION

Question 44: Both sides vulnerable. You are South, and hold:
S.—A K J 8 5 H.—8 6 D.—7 5 2 C.—K J 7

The bidding has proceeded:
South West North East
1 spade Pass 3 spades 4 hearts
What call do you make now?

TO-DAY'S HAND

Match point duplicate.
South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—10 6 5
H.—10 4
D.—Q 5 3 2
C.—A Q 7 2

WEST

S.—J 9 4 3
H.—K 7 2
D.—A 10 8 7
C.—9 3

EAST

S.—A Q 8 2
H.—J 9 6 3
D.—J 9
C.—8 5 4

SOUTH

S.—K 7
H.—A Q 8 5
D.—K 6 4
C.—K J 10 6

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 club	Pass	2 clubs	Pass
2 no trump	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened his fourth best spades. East won with the ace and correctly returned his own fourth best, the deuce. Declarer won and rattled off four clubs, ending in his own hand. West, in the knowledge that his partner still had two spades, discarded a spade and a heart. On a low diamond lead toward dummy West ducked and the queen held. At this point East made a very good play. He dropped the diamond jack. He reasoned that this unblock could not possibly do harm and might do good.

Now declarer, maneuvering for a throw-in play to avoid a heart finesse, led dummy's spade, hoping that West would have to win and return a heart up to the ace-queen tenace, or a diamond up to the king. East, however, jumped up with the spade queen and cashed the fourth spade. West co-operated nobly by keeping his three diamonds and blanking the heart king. East then returned the diamond nine and West, due to the fact that East had unblocked, was able to overtake and run three diamond tricks for the defeat of the contract.

What's On At the Cinemas

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AT THE KING'S—"Merrily We Live", with Constance Bennett, Brian Aherne, Alan Mowbray, Billie Burke and Patsy Kelly. A rollicking comedy of the doings of a society hostess with a weakness in trying to reform tramps by engaging them in her household much to the annoyance of the rest of the family.



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PRAGUE, TO-DAY.
PRESIDENT BENES RECEIVED
DR. HODZA, THE CZECH FOR-
EIGN MINISTER YESTERDAY
TO DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF
THE SUDETEN GERMANS.

It was announced at the same
time that the Foreign Affairs Com-
mittee of the Czech Parliament has
been summoned for May 24. Dr.
Hodza will take the opportunity to
deliver a report on the inter-
national situation.

Contrary to the original arrange-
ment to postpone municipal elec-
tions in certain communities till
autumn, it has now been decided
to hold all elections due or overdue
on May 22, 29 and June 12.

The Czech Minister in Paris, M.
Osusky, is reported to have in-
formed the French Government of
the firm intention of the Czech
authorities to maintain order
and discipline. No interview has
yet taken place between Dr. Hodza
and Konrad Henlein, the leader of
the Sudeten Germans. — Trans-
Ocean.

Budapest, To-day.

The Hungarian National minor-
ity in Czechoslovakia has decided
to follow the example of the Sude-
ten Germans in sending a special
mission to London. — Trans-Ocean.

TRYING TO FREEZE OUT BRITISH TRADERS

London, To-day.

In a letter to "The Times" in
regard to formation of a Japane-
se Wool Export Association, to
monopolise North China and In-
ner Mongolia trade in wool, furs
and skins, Mr. Francis Joseph
describes it as a glaring example
of the manner in which the Jap-
anese are apparently trying to
freeze out British traders in
North China.

He says the success of the
United States Government's pro-
tests in inducing the Japanese to
drop the intended oil monopoly
in North China, suggests that
equally vigorous efforts by the
British Government on behalf of
British wool merchants might
have equally good results. —
Reuter.

SUN FO GOES BACK TO MOSCOW

Moscow, To-day.

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